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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Reopening The Door

THE reported agreement between General Zahedi and Mr. Loy Henderson, the American Ambassador, is the best news for a long time. Until it receives official confirmation it must be treated with caution, although there is no reason to doubt its authenticity. The situation which confronts the new Persian Government is a grim one and demands quick and realistic action if it is to be saved. The country is completely bankrupt financially, and its economy can only be temporarily sustained by immediate foreign aid. But any such assistance can only serve as a palliative, and General Zahedi, the Prime Minister, has already admitted that until and unless the oil industry is resuscitated there is no solution to Persia's Treasury problem. It was this fundamental which Dr. Mossadegh, while he was in power, refused to acknowledge, and as a result he plunged the country into its present disastrous condition.

DEVELOPMENTS since the Shah's Party overthrew Mossadegh, while not spectacular, have indicated fairly clearly that a new policy is going to be adopted. General Zahedi's willingness to discuss realities with the American Ambassador is a welcome sign. An excellent start has been made by the Premier's expressed preparedness to renew Anglo-Persian diplomatic relations as soon as possible and thereafter reopen negotiations on the oil dispute in return for prompt and substantial American financial assistance. There is no suggestion that Mr. Henderson has pointed a gun at General Zahedi's head to wring unwilling concessions from him. America would have to come to Persia's assistance with or without a quid pro quo involving Britain's relations with the Iranian Government. Russia would be only too willing to win the position of being the "saviour" of Persia at this critical time, more especially as the Shah has publicly declared that the country is in such dire straits that it will accept help from anybody. Whatever the leanings of the Shah's Party in foreign relations, they are certainly not toward Russia, and General Zahedi was probably relieved that the American Ambassador acted so quickly and put in his firm offer of aid before the Soviets.

THE restoration of Anglo-Persian diplomatic relations presents no difficulty. They were broken off incidentally by Dr. Mossadegh, but so far as Britain is concerned they can be renewed any time Persia expresses the desire. Such action on the part of General Zahedi, however, must imply a readiness to reopen negotiations on the oil dispute. Without this contingency there is no great point in normalising diplomatic relations. And if the Persian Government agrees to new discussions concerning the oil industry, the all-important point is its approach to the problem. Britain offered Dr. Mossadegh an honourable and workable compromise which would ensure the speedy resuscitation of the industry and at the same time preserve Persia's sovereign rights over it. It is conceivable both sides would find room for mutual concessions over and above those offered by Britain in her existing proposals, but in any event, given good faith on the part of the Persian Government, there is no obvious reason why new negotiations should not produce successful and satisfactory results.

# TYPHOON RITA PASSES NORTH OF HK

## No Further Danger To Colony 2.64 INCHES OF RAIN RECORDED

Hongkong today escaped the full fury of Typhoon Rita, but the storm passed near enough to buffet the Colony with gusts of up to 50 knots, and brought heavy rainfall which, between midnight and noon today, measured 2.64 inches.

At 12.30 p.m., the Royal Observatory issued the following statement: "Typhoon Rita is now centred inland over China to the northwest of Hongkong and is filling up. The local typhoon signal No. 6 was lowered at 12.30 p.m. Strong, gusty southwest winds will persist this afternoon, moderating slowly this evening." The Observatory also intimated to shipping that all danger from the typhoon had now passed.

The near-typhoon caused relatively little damage. Here and there trees were uprooted, but there have been no reports of landslides or house collapses. A Marine Police launch found herself in difficulties early this morning and headed for the Kennedy Town wharf. The boat reached the wharf and then capsized, but fortunately the crew were able to scramble ashore safely.

The following is the official story of Typhoon Rita's movements issued at noon by the Royal Observatory:

On August 24 a tropical storm was located about 650 miles ESE of Guam. By the next day the storm had intensified to a typhoon and was named Rita.

At that time the maximum winds in the circulation reported to be just above hurricane force. By early on August 27, Rita was passing 180 miles ENE of Guam on a NW track when the first report came through of another tropical circulation of storm intensity about 540 miles WNW of Guam.

By August 30 this storm was absorbed into the circulation of Typhoon Rita which was then centred about 450 miles ESE of South Formosa, having intensified considerably with winds of 125 knots near the centre.

The track of Rita from this point appeared erratic but the general direction was WNW. About 6 a.m. H.K. Summer Time on September 2 (today) Rita crossed the China coast about 70 miles ENE of Hongkong, and passed 50 miles north of the Colony about 9 a.m. today.

FEW INCIDENTS  
Few incidents and negligible damage were reported to date. At 4 o'clock this morning the cable meeting of the British steamer, City of Birmingham, at Buoy A5 snapped during the high winds, but the vessel was able to make her way under her own steam to Kowloon Bay where she is now anchored.

The vessel, under the command of Capt W. S. Doldge, is of 4,430 tons net. She arrived here yesterday from England. The Star Ferry services did not resume this morning because of the high seas in the harbour, particularly on the Kowloon side.

The Hongkong and Yumail ferries suspended their services after one trip to and from Jordan Road and two trips to and from Shamshuipo. The last trip to Shamshuipo was shortly before 7 a.m.

The China Motor Bus services in Hongkong operated as usual, as did the Peak tram, but in Kowloon all services to the New Territories were suspended, while those serving Kowloon City, Shamshuipo and Lanchow were slightly curtailed.

A tree near the Central Hospital in Lower Albert Road was uprooted by the "wild" winds during the night, but although it finished halfway across the road it did not wholly obstruct early morning traffic.

Mr. Peter Mo, were both unable to be present in Court, while only two members of the jury (including the foreman) attended. Mr. Justice Scholes adjourned the case until tomorrow morning. Because of the typhoon and the inclement weather, the laying of the foundation stone of the South China Athletic Association's new stadium at Caroline Hill which was to have been performed today by H.E. the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, has been postponed until 4 p.m. next Wednesday, September 3.

## International Controversy Over Goats

Incham, Sept. 1.

A shipload of goats became the centre of an international controversy today.

The problem is: Should a goat from India be considered just an ordinary goat or a resident of India?

President Syngman Rhee of South Korea refused to allow Indian troops to set foot on his country's soil when they arrived to take charge of war prisoners refusing repatriation.

The first contingent arrived last night. They are being transferred to the neutral zone by helicopter, thus not technically touching South Korean territory.

But the first group brought word today that another ship is bringing livestock, mostly goats, which presumably are for eating purposes.

Now the United Nations Command, not wishing to stir up trouble without reason, is worried lest Mr. Rhee refuse to let the goats set foot in his country. —United Press.

## STOP PRESS

### Ferry Services Resume

At 12.40 p.m., the Star Ferry announced it would be resuming its service immediately. The Hongkong and Yumail Company simultaneously announced their services were resuming from the Kowloon side.

### AIRLINED FOR HK CRASHES

A civilian airliner bound for Hongkong crashed into Montserrat, in the French Alps, late last night, police reported here. First reports said the plane had 33 passengers and a crew of eight aboard, and all are believed to have perished. Police said the aircraft was seen burning 10 miles away. The plane took off from Paris yesterday. —Reuters.



Dramatic firing tests of new three-inch rapid-firing anti-aircraft guns at the naval proving ground, at Dahlgren, Virginia, USA, demonstrate their capability of shielding US combat ships from Kamikaze-type air attacks with bursting projectiles. The task of assembling the 28,000 parts in a smoothly operating electronically controlled gun mount is now daily routine for Firestone Tyre and Rubber Company men and women who have been producing complete gun mount assemblies for the past nine months. The new guns will fire rapidly fused ammunition at a rate which gives them several times more firepower than the gun mounts they are replacing on Navy ships. —London Express.

## Italy Replies To Yugoslavia's Note Of Protest

Rome, Sept. 1.

Italy declared today that the "unsatisfactory" relations between Italy and Yugoslavia were due to Yugoslavia's attitude over Trieste and to the behaviour of Yugoslav occupation forces in Zone B of Trieste.

This statement was contained in a reply to a Yugoslav protest against Italian troop "provocations" on the common frontier. The reply was dispatched within four hours after the Yugoslav protest was received.

Italy said she had taken "precautionary and protective measures" only because of Yugoslavia's threats against the status of Zone B, and that she had the right to take whatever measures she thought fit in her own territory.

When the Yugoslav note was received at the Italian Foreign Office early this afternoon, a copy was sent immediately by courier to Signor Giuseppe Pella, the Italian Premier and Foreign Minister, who left Rome for his summer villa last night.

The Yugoslav protest is taken on first impression as a serious diplomatic counter-attack to Italian diplomatic action concerning Trieste over the weekend.

An official Italian spokesman today denied again that any Italian troops had crossed the frontier.

A Reuters correspondent, who toured the frontier area from Gorizia southward to divided and disputed Trieste, said there was no evidence of new Italian units having moved up to the frontier but it appeared that the units normally stationed there had been brought up to full strength.

Though there seemed to be a little more military activity than usual on the Italian side, no serious working peacefully in their fields appeared unaware of any international crisis. —Reuters.

### TEXT OF REPLY

Rome, Sept. 1.  
The text of the Italian reply to the Yugoslav protest against Italian troop "provocations" is: "In face of a long series of official and semi-official Yugo-

sav pronouncements which indicated new attitudes and threatening intentions on the part of the Yugoslav Government, the Italian Government considered it its duty to take measures of a precautionary and protective character. "The Italian Government has furthermore full and inalienable right to take within its own territory any measure that it may consider necessary."

The unsatisfactory state of relations between Italy and Yugoslavia which the Italian Government cannot but deplore is in no way attributable to Italy but to the attitude of the Yugoslav Government to the free territory of Trieste and in particular to the behaviour of the Yugoslav authorities in Zone B.

"The Italian Government recalls that it had occasion to propose on October 30, 1952, that this question be submitted to an international tribunal, that of the International Court of Justice. The Yugoslav Government did not choose to accept this proposal." —Reuters.

## Hit His Mother With An Axe

Singapore, Sept. 1.

A labourer hit his mother with an axe when there was insufficient food in the house for two people, a police inspector told a court here.

A 16-year-old Chinese youth was sentenced to four months rigorous imprisonment charged with causing hurt to his mother. The mother was undergoing treatment for a head wound. —China Mail Special.

## KOREAN PEACE CONFERENCE

## DATE AND SITE TO BE PROPOSED TO COMMUNISTS

Washington, Sept. 1.

The 16 nations with troops in Korea have agreed to propose to the Communists that the planned political conference on Korea be held on October 15 in Geneva, San Francisco or Honolulu, it was authoritatively learned today.

The decision was made at a meeting of delegates of the 16 nations in the State Department today.

The United States was also instructed to approach the Communists through a neutral country which maintained relations with the Communists to determine whether the time and proposed sites were acceptable.

Sweden was reported to be the country elected.

Mr. Dulles said: "The Government represented on the side contributing armed forces under the United Nations Command in Korea met together and exchanged views in regard to the time and place of the conference. There was a full discussion and a general feeling of approach in regard to the time and possible sites for the conference which would be most conducive to its success."

"The group agreed unanimously that, pursuant to the General Assembly resolution, the United States should, in the light of the discussions at the meeting, communicate with the other side and seek to make concrete arrangements for a time and place."

"It was also agreed that the group would meet again as appropriate following an exchange of views with the other side (Communists)."

Mr. Dulles made the statement on behalf of the other members. Meanwhile, the Communists are believed to be planning Moscow talks on counter proposals.

The 16 Western envoys conferred for five minutes and then invited the South Korean Ambassador, Dr. Yang Koo Chan, to join them as representative of his country.

Mr. Lincoln White, the State Department spokesman, said there had "as yet been no decision on the best channel for communicating with the Communists."

## TALKS TO GO ON

Mr. White said discussions on the Korean political conference would continue "during the next few weeks."

Some Washington observers believe the UN General Assembly will be asked to reopen the whole question of the composition of the conference in any case.

The United States will oppose such a move on the ground that the United Nations arrangements have been made and that the Communists have no right to alter them.

The observers say that any counter proposals the Communists might make in Moscow would be presumably sent to Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld.

The Communists will have before them the decision of the United Nations General Assembly that as many of the 16 Allied powers with troops in Korea, who wish to, can attend the conference with South Korea, as well as Russia, "provided the other side desires it."

## NEW BID LIKELY

Although the Assembly rejected Russian proposals that 15 "nations," including several neutrals, should be named to the conference, the Communists, it is thought, will make at least one more bid to have neutrals, especially India, invited.

Mr. Hammarskjöld had been requested by the Assembly to report "as appropriate" on any communication from the Communists.

High United Nations officials say it would be premature to say at this stage how he would inform member states of the Communist reaction.

The officials said it would depend on the nature of the Communist reply whether, for instance, he would bring it to the attention of the General Assembly at the next session. Other officials do not regard Mr. Hammarskjöld, however, as simply a link between the 16

## A DOUBLY LUCKY MAN

Madrid, Sept. 1.

Calisto Gonzalez, 24-year-old Madrid shoemaker, won 1,000,000 pesetas (£9,100 sterling) in the State lottery last year but when he dashed home with the good news he found that the ticket had just been burned with a lot of old papers in a stove.

Desperate, because all the way home he had been planning his early marriage and his future as a "millionaire" in pesetas, he carefully investigated the stove and saw traces of the ticket.

He dared not touch the remains lest they crumble to dust — but he got the State lottery authorities to send two experts to examine the charred remains.

Since then the case has been under investigation and now the State lottery has decided to pay Senor Gonzalez his million.

The first thing he means to do is to get married, and the second to order that in his home no papers are ever burned without his permission. —China Mail Special.

## British Pilot Breaks Air Speed Record

London, Sept. 1.

The Royal Aero Club said tonight that test pilot Neville Duke broke the American-held world's air speed record by more than six miles an hour while flying Britain's latest Hawker Hunter jet fighter. However, it appeared that Duke's official time of 723 miles an hour will fall short of the one percent margin required to establish a new officially recognised world's record.

The record of 715.69 miles per hour was set by Lt. Col. William F. Barrow, flying an F-86D Sabrejet in July.

It still has to be officially confirmed by the International Aeronautical Federation in Paris. Duke is the chief test pilot for the Hawker Aircraft Company—United Press.

## Hillary Left A Crucifix On Everest

Wellington, Sept. 1.

Everest conqueror Sir Edmund Hillary confessed today that he did leave something on top of the world's highest peak when he and Sherpa Tenzing reached the summit of Everest on May 29.

Tenzing had said that he had left gifts of sweets to the mountain gods, but Sir Edmund had then said he had left nothing. Today, however, Sir Edmund said he had left a crucifix given to the expedition's leader, Colonel Sir John Hunt, by an English Catholic priest.

Sir Edmund said that "actually none of the Everest team were Catholics, but when Tenzing and I moved to the advance camp we met Sir John and he gave me the crucifix and asked me to leave it on top. I stuffed the crucifix into the snow alongside Tenzing's offerings." —United Press.

## Persian Cabinet Holds Meeting

Tehran, Sept. 1.

Premier Fazlollah Zahedi and his cabinet met today for the first time with the Majlis (Parliament) members who did not resign during ex-Premier Mohammed Mossadegh's tenure. —United Press.

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# RUSSIAN MOVE IN GERMANY

Berlin, Sept. 1.

The Soviet authorities today suggested in a note to the Western High Commissioners that the East and West German Governments should get together to discuss the question of abolishing inter-zonal "passes" for Germans and "other urgent problems," the East German news agency, ADN, said.

The note was sent by the Soviet High Commissioner in Germany, Vladimir S. Semenov, in answer to a Western Allied proposal of last week to abolish the inter-zonal passes for German travelling between East and West Germany.

The passes were introduced after the last war by four-Power agreement.

M. Semenov said West German authorities refused to give entry permits to East Germans and even, "in a series of cases, arrested East Germans who wished to visit relatives and acquaintances in West Germany."

"Various facts are known of obstacles put into the path of free movement of German citizens by the Adenauer Government."

"In West Germany a secret order is valid which bans issuance of inter-zonal passes to members and supporters of democratic progressive organizations and to business firms wishing to establish trade relations with East Germany."

"Based on this order 10,000 applications for inter-zonal passes have been rejected by the State of Baden Wurttemberg alone," M. Semenov added.

## NO HINDRANCE

He said the East German Government, "to whom Soviet authorities handed over the administrative functions," had decided last June to make inter-zonal traffic easier.

East Germany had issued 400,000 inter-zonal passes from June 25 to August 25. During the same period they issued 120,000 entry permits for West Germans, he said.

East Germany had granted to every community the right to issue exit and entry permits without any hindrance. It had also put into service additional inter-zonal trains "and taken other measures to further free travel of German citizens between East and West Germany."

"Therefore, every East German wishing to visit West Germany can do so at any time. There are also no obstacles on the side of the West German authorities regarding the visit of West German citizens to East Germany,"—Reuter.

# Stars From The East



A colourful trio in Venice, Italy, for the annual film festival this year are Japanese film stars, Tamara and Mimasa, photographed with the Japanese film producer Misasuchi.—Express Photo.

# Trade Embargo By The UN Loses Britain Large Orders

(By HAROLD GUARD)

London, Sept. 1.

Britain has lost more than £40,000,000 worth of trade this year because of the embargo on trade with Communist countries, it was reported today.

Informed sources said that several British firms with "firm orders" for exports to Communist China, Russia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia have been refused export licences by the Board of Trade because the exports were considered to come under the category of "strategic materials."

These include £22,000,000 worth of antibiotics for Red China such as penicillin and sulpha drugs, spare parts for tractors, tin-plate, woolen and rayon piece goods.

Information made available to the Press indicates that there is disagreement on the justification for these embargoes which were applied under the United Nations resolution banning "strategic" exports to Communist countries.

Last year the Board of Trade turned down applications for the export of Red China of pumps for coal mines, diesel engine pumps, electric drills for detecting water in mines, electric coal drills and some mining equipment at a total value of £10,000,000.

## TRAWLER ORDERS

A £7,000,000 order for road-making machinery for Red China was lost early this year because the machinery was judged to be strategic.

Other goods banned for Red China included tin-plate, cables, electric motors, air compressors and cranes worth £5,000,000.

Russia has tried to place orders with British firms for trawlers worth £8,000,000 and five cargo ships for carrying grain and ore worth £3,500,000 but the Board of Trade is still considering whether these are strategic.—United Press.

# RHEE SAYS POLICY IS UNCHANGED

Seoul, Sept. 1.

A spokesman for South Korea's President Syngman Rhee said today that since he arrived in Seoul U.S. Senator William Knowland had had two lengthy conferences with the President on the question of joint US-Korean policy at the forthcoming political conference.

The spokesman said the Senator would meet Dr Rhee again before Friday when he was due to leave.

The spokesman said that during the conferences Dr Rhee urged the United States to follow an "in for a penny, in for a pound" policy in Korea. The President also told the Senator his policy was unchanged and was still "the integration of North Korea into the Republic of South Korea by force if necessary."

The spokesman added that Dr Rhee had asked Senator Knowland for senatorial help for the speedy ratification of the US-South Korean defence treaty and the approval of US\$1,000,000 financial aid for Korea.

Senator Knowland, who arrived in Korea last Friday, has held a number of conferences with President Rhee, his Cabinet Ministers and National Assemblymen, in addition to making an inspection tour around Pusan.

The Senator is to visit the South Korean army training centre at Kwangju, — China Mail Special.

# ILL-FATED PROJECT

Leith, Sept. 1.

A Nottingham University exploration party of eight, including two women, arrived back in Britain today after an ill-fated expedition survey of equatorial Iceland on which two young members of the party disappeared.

The two students, Ian Harrison and Anthony Prosser, disappeared on August 6. They are thought to have fallen into a crevasse.

Mr John J. Ives of Grimsby, who led the party, said: "Everything was done to try to locate them and we are very grateful for the co-operation of all air crews and rescue teams which took part in the search."—Reuter.

# British Scientists' Annual Forum At Liverpool Today

Liverpool, Sept. 1.

Britain's top scientists will assemble here tomorrow to keep each other informed on such subjects as underwater television, training racehorses, acoustics in churches, and the sex change of the pink shrimp.

The scientists will exchange their theories under the auspices of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

The Association's 4,000 members will provide 320 speakers who will also lecture among other things on climbing Mount Everest, scientific crime detection, the causes of last winter's North Sea floods and progress in the building of super-sonic rockets.

The annual meeting of the 122-year-old Association has become the nation's biggest forum for the exchange of scientific news, not only among the scientists themselves but also for the thousands of laymen who will attend the lectures being given next week.

More than a million words of facts and ideas will be poured out in a non-technical manner as possible to interest the layman in the street.

Around 4,000 people are expected to hear the various lectures which start tomorrow night with an inaugural address by this year's Association President, Sir Edward Appleton, on "Science for its Own Sake."

Sir Edward, a principal of Edinburgh University, was the discoverer 30 years ago of the atmospheric layer, 150 miles above the earth's surface, which reflects radio short waves round the world.

The Association's lecture programme has been divided into 13 sections to allow the massive agenda to be completed in a week.

Here are some of the highlights.

Mathematics and physics—fluctuations in the Earth's magnetism. Chemistry—how to fight smoke in industrial cities and what has been learned about the use of the "wonder drugs" such as penicillin and streptomycin. Geology—the possibility that some of the earth's mountains have been "pulled" from the moon. Engineering—prospects of harnessing the sun's energy, a survey of atom bomb progress and details of advances in colour television. Agriculture—prevention of diseases in farm livestock.

The Association has invited a number of overseas guests who will attend the various meetings and will have a chance of meeting and exchanging information with their British colleagues.—China Mail Special.

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# New Treatment For Diabetes

London, Sept. 1.

A new product for treating diabetes has been discovered in England, and will be on the market this Autumn.

The product, which is made from an insulin and also base, has only to be taken once a day, whereas the present remedies have to be administered twice daily.

"It is known as 'insulin sine suspension'."—France-Press.

# Still Not Adequate

The Hague, Sept. 1.

The Dutch Air Force is still far from adequate, its Chief-of-Staff, Lieutenant-General A. Aker, said today: according to the Netherlands news agency. Although the Air Force was still being built up, it should not be forgotten that there were concrete undertakings with her Allies on her defence, he added.

Lieutenant-General Aker said the British-Dutch group of the Second Allied Tactical Air Force would soon be fully integrated. He said Holland was still using radar equipment she took over from Britain after the war. —Reuter.

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# JAPANESE COMPETITION

## Vital Issue For Meeting Of GATT Uncertainty Over Policy Of European Nations

London, Sept. 2.

Thirty-three member nations of GATT — General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade — will meet on September 17 in Geneva with Japan's admission one of the main issues before them.

Despatches from Reuter correspondents in some of the countries which will take part in the discussions show that there is no clear and common approach on the Japanese question.

In London, for instance, the British Government's view is not known although there have been discussions within Government circles for some weeks.

But the Cabinet is known to favour free trade and payments although they have to take into account the vast Lancashire textile industry's fears of Japanese competition.

West Germany is taking a friendly view although it has not finally committed itself.

France is expected strongly to oppose Japan's admission to GATT. But Belgium and Holland will probably each support Japan's admission either "on certain conditions" or "with misgivings."

The United States Government has made a statement which appears to advocate a compromise.

Here are the views and facts from countries which will take part in the GATT discussions:

### LANCASHIRE'S FEAR

London. The Japanese issue is an important one to the members of GATT, who have drastically reduced their tariffs during the course of their many meetings.

If Japan became a member she would enjoy the benefit of these reductions and manufacturers fear that cheap Japanese goods would flood their markets.

This is the Lancashire textile industry's chief fear.

The members of GATT do not deny that Japan is a great trading nation is entitled to join their club. They recognised this when the question of Japan's admission was first raised at the GATT meeting in October, 1952, but deferred action while an inter-divisional committee studied the subject.

This committee's report will be on the agenda at the Geneva discussions.

Though the attitude of the British Government will take at Geneva is not officially known, the British Commonwealth countries have bound themselves under GATT to free their system of Imperial Preference, which allowed favoured tariff rates to trade between Commonwealth countries.

### U.S. PRESSURE

This commitment was accepted reluctantly under extreme pressure from the United States and many Commonwealth interests have long been urging that the GATT should be denounced so as to restore freedom to Imperial commercial policy.

Last week the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, declared his country's

intentions of seeking a review of the GATT for this reason.

The Australian initiative has had a vigorous welcome from sections of British opinion that favour a closer commercial tie up with the Commonwealth.

But British Government officials have been reluctant to comment. They point cautiously to the communiqué issued last year after the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' conference. Here it is stated that the Ministers discussed a British proposal for a joint attack on the "no new preference" rule of the GATT.

But some of them thought this would be inconsistent with the agreed plan for a convertible pound and free world trade.

### NO UNITED FRONT

It is believed that Canada and India, and probably other Commonwealth nations too, are still opposed to any extension of Imperial Preferences, so a united British Commonwealth front cannot be expected at Geneva next month.

The British Government's attitude to Japan is made even more obscure by the possibility that the projected Cabinet reshuffle may involve a change in the presidency of the Board of Trade.

Bonn. West Germany is taking a friendly attitude toward Japan's admission, according to an authoritative Government source.

But, he added, West Germany's final decision depended on the memorandum which Japan had promised to lay before GATT shortly before the Geneva Assembly convenes.

West Germany had less interest in keeping Japan out of GATT than Britain seemed to have, the Government source said.

### WILL INCREASE

So far Japanese competition had not seriously made itself felt against West Germany's export industries. But competition could be expected to increase once Japan was admitted to GATT, mainly in textiles, bicycles and optical instruments.

Officials of West Germany's clothing and silk industry said Japan's admission to GATT was to be expected sooner or later.

The clothing industry officials were confident of the outcome but silk industry representatives showed some concern.

They said Japanese prices were highly competitive for the Germans and that the large

South American and African markets might soon become the scene of very keen competition between the two countries.

Main export articles of West Germany's silk industry include cloth for neckties and umbrellas, linings, plush and velvet.

### NOT DECIDED

The Hague. Holland's only official comment about Japan's admission has been that the Government has not yet decided what attitude to take at Geneva.

But both authoritative sources and industrialists say that, with the exception of textiles and perhaps one or two other industries notably affected by Japanese competition, Holland has little objection.

One industrial spokesman said:

"We fear Japanese competition and we would rather not see Japan admitted to GATT. But we see the problem rather as a political matter. We feel Japan will get into GATT anyway, thanks to the support she is getting, so we do not see the point in making a fuss about it."

He said Dutch trade circles had a strong impression that Japan was granting export subsidies. "We will make it a condition of our support that she must stop giving them," he declared.

The spokesman added that he thought it was a mistake for Dutch industry to suppose that only textiles would be adversely affected by Japanese competition.

"Japanese textile wages are now on roughly the same level as other wages in Japan," he said. Moreover the proportion of Japanese production devoted to textiles was smaller than before the war.

### FRENCH FEARS

Paris. The French Government is backing French cotton and silk manufacturers who have never hidden their fears about what unrestricted Japanese competition would do to the local industries and is expected to give strong opposition to Japan's admission at Geneva.

As recently as June this year the French Cotton Manufacturers Association declared that Japan's admission to GATT and allowing her the benefit of the most favoured nation clause would be a "defiance of good sense."

Under existing French customs regulations Japanese imports are subject to the general customs tariff which, for cotton goods, is three times the minimum 15 to 20 per cent tariff. If the minimum tariff was applied to Japanese cotton goods it would be a long way off the difference between Japanese and French costs.

Before the war more than three-quarters of French Morocco's cotton purchases came from Japan as there were no customs protection in the territory then. The result was that French exports to Morocco fell from 21 to 2.9 per cent.

### SILK AFFECTED

The French textile industry went through a series of crises last year, caused mainly by the decrease in exports and the wave of imports of manufactured textile goods into France. High French prices were one of the primary reasons.

The situation has been saved largely by drastic import restrictions. But if cheap Japanese goods were allowed to flood the French Union market local factories would be forced out of business.

The same applies to the French silk industry which has been complaining that even with the high tariffs, Japanese goods are still far cheaper than the French products.

Brussels. As in Holland there has been no official comment on the Japanese question from the Belgian Government sources. Traditionally reluctant to comment on international developments.

But leading Belgian industrial circles said they would approve Japan's admission provided there were sufficient safeguards to prevent "abnormal competition."

Such safeguards would be designed to prevent a repetition of the kind of "dumping" of cheap Japanese goods on world markets before the war.

The Belgian industrialists said the admission of Japan was "in principle" a good thing but they would oppose any unconditional admission. They favoured "normal competition."—Reuter.

## Sailing Round The World



Four bachelors from South Africa, whose average age is 22, plan to sail round the world aboard their 18-ton yacht, "White Seal," which they estimate, will take them about five years to complete. From left to right aboard the yacht can be seen: G. Greathhead, P. Lagerway, W. Gibbs and G. Trobridge.—Express Photo.

## Labour MPs Want UN Treaty With Germany And Japan

London, Sept. 1.

Two Labour M.P.s have tabled a motion in the House of Commons calling for a 10-year treaty between the United Nations, on the one hand and Japan and Germany, on the other, stipulating that:

(1) Germany and Japan shall form no armed forces beyond those required to preserve law and order in their own territories;

(2) A United Nations commission shall ascertain and publish facts and figures of German or Japanese military units every six months. A parallel treaty would require Japan and Germany to observe a four-point plan for defence and development.

## Allied Gesture In Bonn

Bonn, Sept. 1.

The three Western Allied High Commissioners today ordered the establishment of three Allied-German boards — one in each zone — to make recommendations for clemency or parole for the war criminals held by them in Germany.

The West German Government will appoint members to the boards.

The five-member boards in the British and United States Zones will have two German members each. The seven-member board in the French Zone will have three German members.

The task of the boards will be to make recommendations for release or reduction of sentence.

The British are holding 82 war criminals, including five women. The Americans have 300 and the French 70. Many of those still in prison are civilians or S. S. men convicted of the murder of Allied nationals or Allied prisoners of war.

### INTERIM MEASURE

Dr. Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, stated in Hannover last Sunday that his Government would not intercede for the "common criminals" but it would do its best "to bring justice" to the others.

The mixed boards are being set up as an interim measure to avoid the delay in setting up the review board, with wider powers which is planned in Allied German treaties still awaiting ratification.

Each board is to consist of six members — three Germans and three Allied members. A unanimous finding is to be fully binding on the Occupation Powers holding the prisoners. It will be able to suspend sentences on compassionate or similar grounds without reference to the Allied Government concerned.

Though it was denied by the Allies, the timing of today's announcement was seen by independent observers as intended to give an advantage to Adenauer's Party, the Christian Democrats, in next Sunday's general elections.—Reuter.

## British

## Leadership In Jet Aircraft Is Maintained

Farnborough, Sept. 1.

Britain will demonstrate that she is maintaining world leadership in the development of jet aircraft when her annual display of military and civil aircraft opens here on September 7.

On show will be over 50 different aircraft, two-thirds of them jet-propelled, of types which are now earning this country about £60,000,000 a year in exports.

They will include nine formidable challenges for the post-war aircraft market. Three are jetliners, three jetbombers and three supersonic jetfighters.

Airliners are the new Comet Series Two, making its public flying debut; the propeller-jet Bristol Britannia; and the propeller-jet Vickers Viscount.

All three of Britain's "V Class" jet bombers will fly in the show. They are the swept-wing Vickers Valiant "dark horse" of the forthcoming London-New Zealand Air Race; the delta (triangular) wing Avro Vulcan; and the crescent-wing Handley Page Victor.

The Victor will be making its first appearance at the display, which is organised by the Society of British Aircraft Constructors.

The fighters are the latest versions of the Hawker Hunter, the Supermarine Swift, and the all-weather delta-wing Gloster Javelin.

A supersonic De Havilland D.H. 110 fighter, fitted with two Rolls-Royce jets of undisclosed power and now under development for naval use, will also take part in the flying.

There will be fewer completely new types on view than last year, but the display will be notable for the appearance of many aircraft which are in a later stage of development.

The Comet Series Two which is to fly past, for instance, is the first production model of a jet ordered by the British Overseas Airways Corporation. This airliner has been operating Series One Comets for 18 months.

Series Two is still faster. Its Rolls-Royce jets give it a genuine cruising speed of 500 miles an hour, with 44 passengers, which is about 150 miles more than the fastest piston-engined aircraft in regular service.

### THE BRITANNIA

Flights will be made by the first production-type example of the Britannia, a propeller-jet aircraft which can cruise comfortably at 350 miles an hour with about 100 passengers and fly from London to New York non-stop. British Overseas Airways Corporation have ordered 26 Britannias. One flew in last year's display, but with less powerful engines than are now fitted.

The smaller propeller-jet Viscount, in service with British European Airways and Air France, will be seen on the ground and in the air. This medium-range craft has a cruising speed of over 300 miles an hour. Trans-Canada Air Lines recently ordered 15 Viscounts, and they are being bought "also by many other overseas operators."

The display will demonstrate impressively the great change in Britain's position in aircraft construction over the past seven years. At the end of World War II, her reputation lay almost exclusively in military types. Few civil aircraft were being exported. In contrast, the aircraft industry's exports for the first

## Fanatic Gang Mopped Up

Djakarta, Sept. 1.

A total of 117 members of the fanatic Darul Islam gangs were killed during recent mopping up operations in the region of Garut, 200 miles south-east of Djakarta, an Army spokesman announced today.

At the same time it was reported from Tjandjur, 100 miles south of Djakarta, that a 100-man strong Darul Islam gang looted four villages there and burnt down 160 houses and a mosque. — China Mail Special.

## "NEW LOOK" B.I.F. PLANNED

To Meet Increased  
World Competition

London, Sept. 1.

Plans are being made to give next year's British Industries Fair a "new look" to meet increasing competition in world trade markets. Methods used to promote the Fair are being overhauled completely.

National organisations, such as the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, the Federation of British Industries, the National Union of Manufacturers, are co-operating.

After the war, when supplies of goods were short, selling was easy. But now the art of hard selling has regained its old importance.

More than three times as many firms are being invited to take part in the London section of the Fair. Letters are being sent to 30,000 manufacturers.

### "FIRST COME"

One new step is that space for sites at the exhibition will be allotted on the principle of "first come, first served."

Those who apply early will have the choice of the best positions.

More than 25,000 copies of the advance catalogue — a record number — are to be printed and sent to business men all over the world.—London Express Service.

## Increase In Production

London, Sept. 1.

The quantity of goods and services produced in Britain increased by 18 per cent between 1940 and 1952, according to the latest publication of the Central Statistical Office on National Income and Expenditure.

Valued at 1948 prices, the increase amounted to £1,600 million.

As imports increased by £400 million, the total increase in supplies available over the six years was £1,900 million. Nearly two-thirds of this increase went to higher expenditure.—China Mail Special.

## Indonesia's Policy

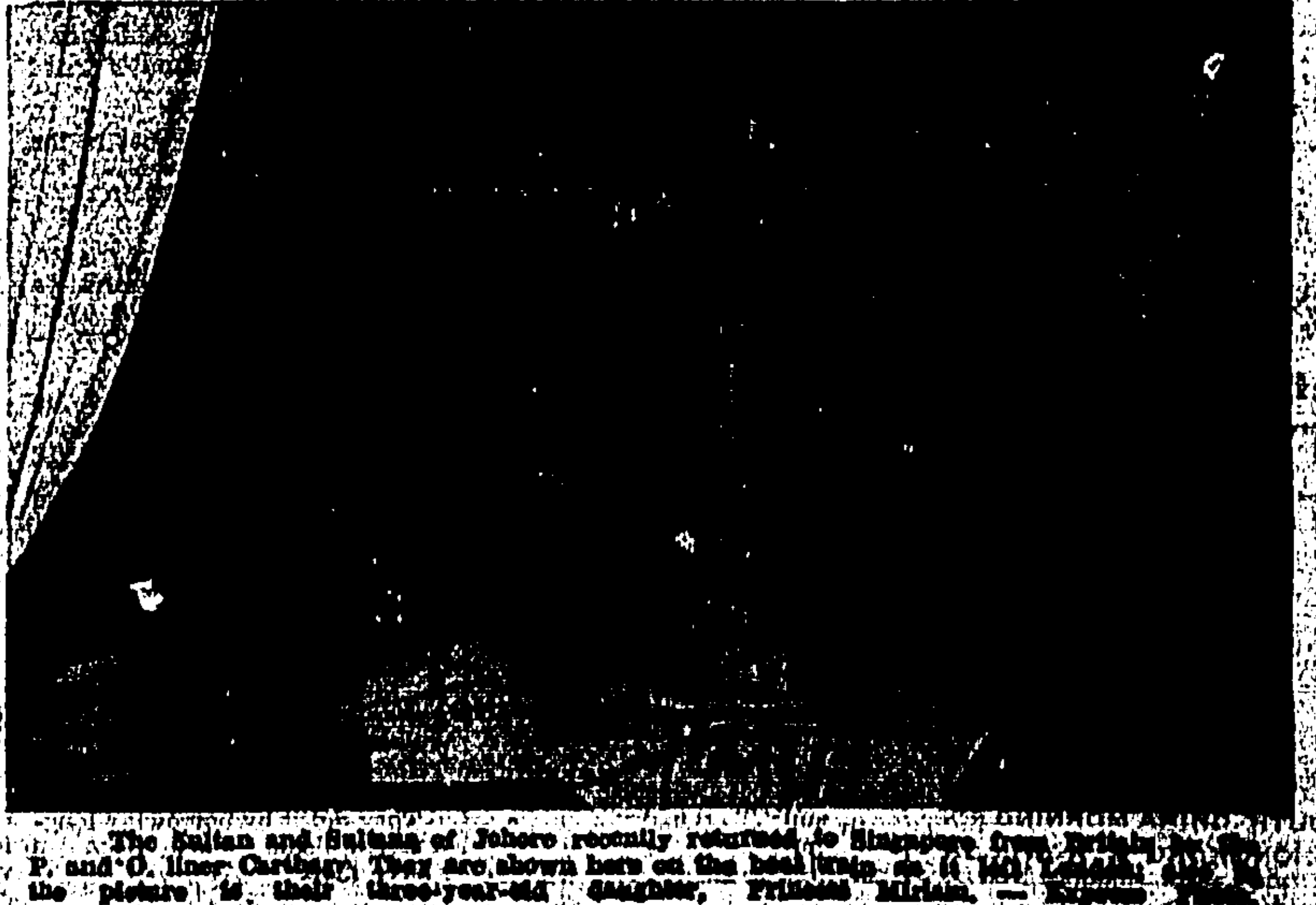
Djakarta, Sept. 1.

Indonesia's new Government considered co-operation with the Asian, Arab and African bloc trade imports. The Prime Minister, Ali Sartono, said, has told Parliament.

"We are convinced that close co-operation among these countries will certainly strengthen endeavours to arrive at lasting world peace," he said in a foreign policy review.

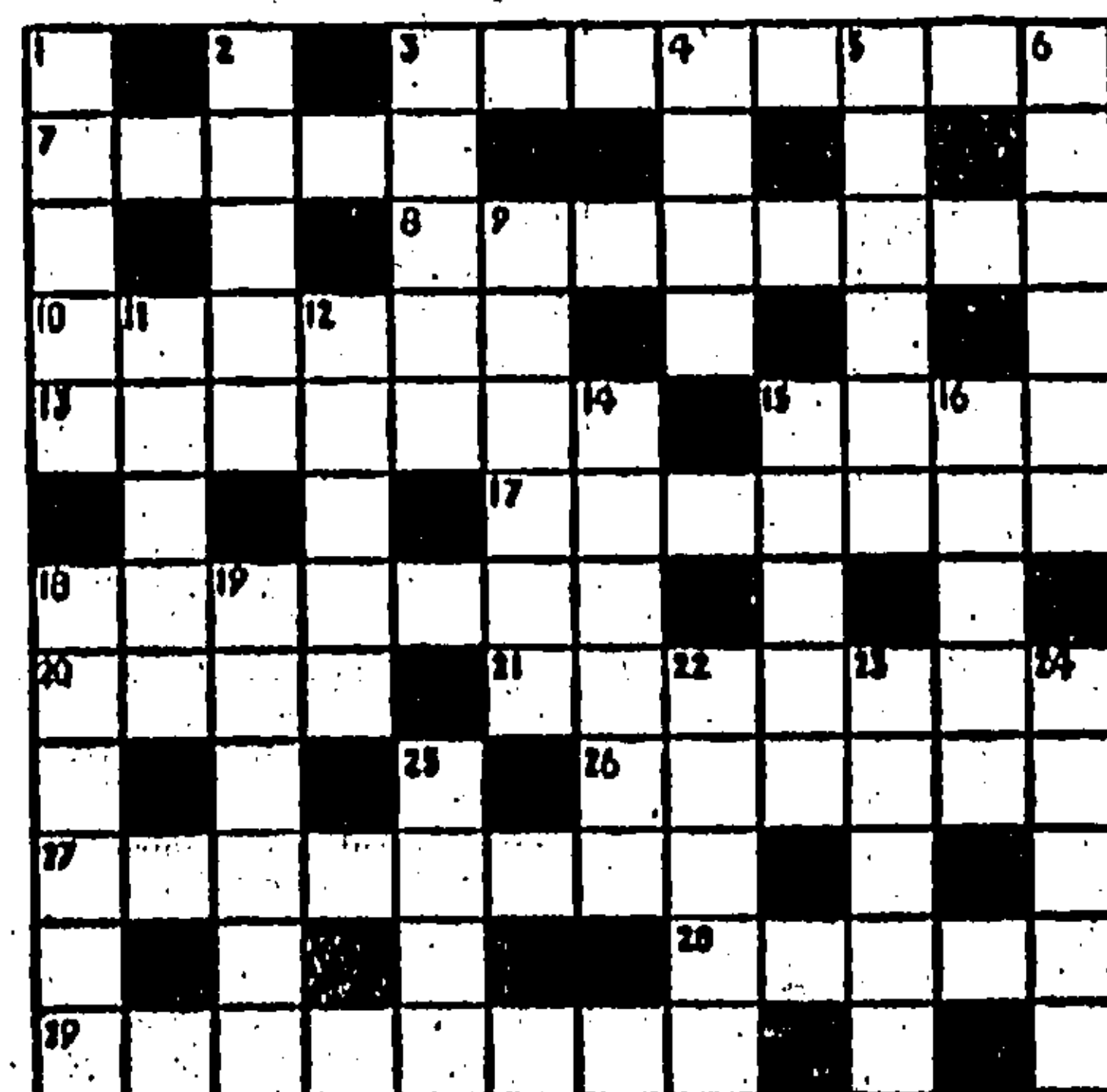
He announced that relations between Indonesia and the Netherlands would be revised on the basis of the United Nations Settlement (which he said had never run smoothly) into normal international relations.

The Prime Minister said the Government would try to establish normal relations with Japan as soon as possible. The Government was looking forward to a bilateral agreement with Japan in place of the San Francisco peace treaty initiated by the former Foreign Minister, Achmed Subardjo, but never ratified by Parliament.—Reuter.



The Italian and Italian of Saboro recently returned to Singapore from Australia. They are shown here on the beach, with a large ship in the background. The picture is that of the Saboro, a large ship, in the background. — China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Clerical title (8).
  - 2 Dye (6).
  - 3 Ghostly (8).
  - 4 Cavalryman (6).
  - 5 Graffiti (7).
  - 6 Remains (4).
  - 7 Vaults (7).
  - 8 Void (7).
  - 9 Duck (4).
  - 10 Assume (7).
  - 11 Kind of needlework (6).
  - 12 Waver (6).
  - 13 View (6).
  - 14 Please highly (8).

- DOWN
- 1 Young animal (5).
  - 2 Foolish (6).
  - 3 Demolished (5).
  - 4 Engrave (4).
  - 5 Printing mistakes (6).
  - 6 Puts off (6).
  - 7 Summary (6).
  - 8 Solitary (5).
  - 9 Waterway (5).
  - 10 Subtract (6).
  - 11 Slant (5).
  - 12 Got up (6).
  - 13 Irritated (6).
  - 14 Slave (6).
  - 15 Urgency (6).
  - 16 Possessed (5).
  - 17 Senior (5).
  - 18 Male animal (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Puppet, 5 Dumps, 8 Preem, 9 Cello, 10 Rural, 11 Cavi, 12 Loot, 13 Dense, 16 Deba, 17 Eyed, 20 Rose, 22 Stem, 23 Start, 25 Soups, 26 Notion, 27 Error, 28 World, 29 Dogged. Down: 1 Peculiar, 2 Progress, 3 Epic, 4 Troated, 5 Dardis, 6 Amulet, 7 Peals, 14 Headling, 15 Examined, 16 Dastard, 17 Lenient, 19 Vessel, 21 Cane, 24 To-do.





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# BRITONS SEIZED COUP MAN IN SECRET RAID

By KENNETH MACAULAY

IT was in a lovely old house in the ancient Persian city of Isfahan that General Fazlollah Zahedi, the strong man who stands today behind a weak king, looked at the pistol pointed at his heart, and surrendered to a British Army officer.

He was, although he did not know it, the chief figure in Operation Pongo, a swift, secret, and daring raid designed to smash a German organisation which operated in southern Persia during the war.

Zahedi was one of the Germans' most valuable assets in the plan to cut the Allies' line supplying the Russians through Persia.

The kidnapping of Zahedi was carried out by Brigadier Fitzroy Maclean, then an army captain, now Tory M.P. for Lancaster.

## Too risky

THE problem was how to wrinkle the Persian general out while he was under heavy guard in a crowded city teeming with garrison troops.

If anything went wrong, wrote Brigadier Maclean, there might have been a general rising, which it would have been difficult for the small British forces to contain.

The first idea was to stage an ambush in a quiet street of Isfahan. It was abandoned as carrying too much risk in the powder magazine that South Persia was at the time.

Brigadier Maclean decided, instead, on a straightforward "sneak-up" in Zahedi's own house. Rehearsals were carried out in a ruined desert fort, with a platoon of Seaforth Highlanders brought from the holy city of Qum, 200 miles away.

The kidnapping party took their places in a staff car flying a large Union Jack and set off. Now the story in Brigadier Maclean's own words:—

"A reliable N.C.O. armed to the teeth occupied the seat next the driver, while Guardsman Duncan (Maclean's batman) and a Seaforth Highlander, both carrying tommy-guns, crouched in the luggage compartment at the back under a tarpaulin.

## Our trucks

"GAULT (the British consul in Isfahan) followed in his own car. As we approached Zahedi's house I was relieved to see our two trucks, their powerful engines concealing the battle-hungry Seaforths drawn up in their appointed places.

"At the gate the Persian sentry was deep in conversation with Laurence Lockhart, a Persian linguist from R.A.F. Intelligence, whose services I had enlisted for the occasion.

"So far, everything had gone according to plan. On our appearance the sentry at the gate

## None too soon

A SEARCH of the general's bedroom revealed a collection of German automatic weapons, some opium, and a quantity of letters and papers.

One of the first letters examined was from a man calling himself the "German Consul-General for Persia," and apparently living in the hills somewhere in the south.

"His letter," Brigadier Maclean concludes, "left no doubt that the general's arrest had not come a moment too soon."

# Congressmen Want Higher Pay

From DONALD LUDLOW

NEW YORK. THEY don't like to talk too much about it in Washington, but America's \$15,000 Congressmen are out for a pay rise.

They have got one foot in the door, anyway, with a Bill providing for a commission to study their financial plight.

Last pay boost was in 1940, when they gave themselves a \$2,500 a year increase plus \$2,500 tax free expense allowance.

Now, they argue, they are actually worse off than they were on \$10,000 a year in 1925.

Then they paid only around \$80 income tax. Today they average over \$2,000 tax—and their purchasing power, they say, is a third of what it was then.

THOSE telephone strikers at Little Rock, Arkansas, had to decide how to collect pay cheques from beleaguered Bell Telephone Company without crossing their own picket lines.

They did it by borrowing long-handled fishing nets from a sports shop.

Receipts went back the same way. WAR OFFICE please note: Efficiency ideas submitted by military and civilians saved the U.S. Army \$13,000,000 last year.

The only offsetting cost was \$282,520 paid out in rewards.

THOUSANDS of American secrets, diplomatic, political, scientific and economic, have been stolen by Soviet agents working in the U.S. Government.

The Senate's Internal Security Committee admitted today.

These agents were clever: They used each other's names for references on applications for Government jobs.

"They hired each other. They promoted each other... assigned each other to international missions."

Why were they allowed to continue? The G-men knew many of them—but G-men cannot prosecute.



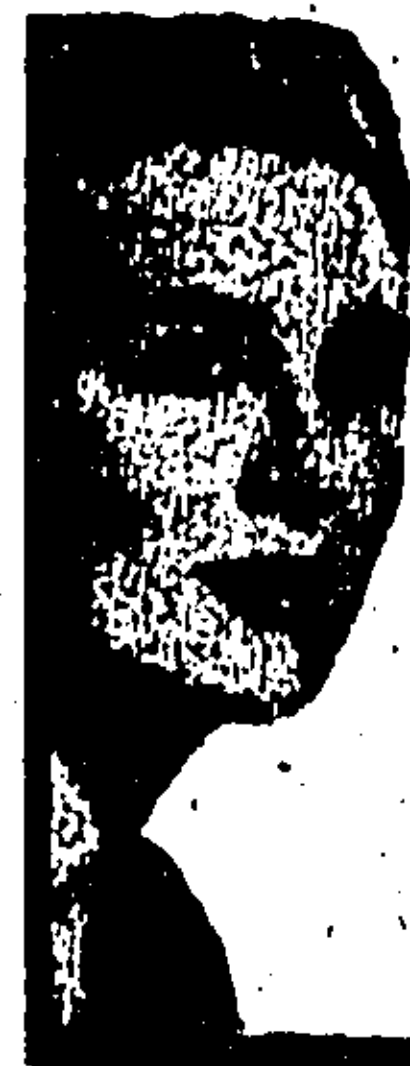
Cummings

"B-but they're R-REAL tears this time!"

London Express Service

# Molly Castle

A London writer until she left for America in 1936, was taken to Ellis Island to await deportation for alleged Communist activity, and later released on bail. Today, in a strictly non-political cable telling what happened, she says:



# They ought to set my arrest to music

NEW YORK. MY arrest began in a rather quiet way in the morning. The phone was ringing as I reached my office early. Going to be a busy day, I thought. I was right.

A polite voice informed me that this was Mr Blank of the Immigration Department (I actually do know a Mr Blank, but this was not he).

"Would you mind coming down today?" I took a quick look at my desk. There was accumulated mail of two weeks' holiday and accumulated proofs of the two magazines I edit.

"I'm afraid I can't make it today," I told him. "Let us make it this morning," he said gently. "Right away if you can, and bring 2,000 dollars with you. We may get through by evening."

I gulped. "I'll look in my purse, but I'm not sure I have that much change on me. There was a dollar bill and 75 cents. What are we going to buy?"

"Ball," he said gently. "Oh, didn't I tell you? You're technically (or did he say telephonically?) under arrest."

"I'll come if I can," I promised. I went.

## The warrant

A few routine questions. They said at the Immigration offices on Columbus Avenue. "Then a little boat ride to Ellis Island. We must warn you this will be taken down."

And may be used in evidence against me? I saw that movie too. "What questions?"

After what seemed like a few days and several thousands of questions, we set sail for Ellis Island. I don't know what time it was, but it was before lunch.

As far as I was concerned, bag which may well have contained all he had in the world was also before breakfast. The only thing I had eaten all day were my finger-nails. First,

though, Mr Blank asked if I would care to have a copy of a warrant for my arrest.

That reminded me. One of the questions I had answered was "Have you ever been arrested?"

"So have I been now?" I inquired. "In case I'm asked." "Just tell them it wasn't for anything criminal," he laughed.

Well, that was nice. Accompanied by a Mr Dash and a Mr Hyphen, I climbed into a Government limousine. It had a flat tyre, so we got out again. Presently another was secured.

"Can we stop and get some coffee?" I asked. "On the boat," soothed Mr Dash, "and a sandwich."

We went shopping. We went to buy a 2,000-dollar (\$2714) United States bond for use as bail. Fortunately, the end of the season's sales were on, and we got it marked down to 1,021 dollars (\$2364).

## Protest

THE ferry boat that was to take us to Ellis Island was about to leave. "If I go with you I may be late back to the office," said Mr Dash. "You can find your way now, can't you?"

"Oh, no, you don't," I protested, seeing now where a pair of handcuffs would have come in handy. "You started this thing and you have to finish it. I'd get lost."

"Well, all right," he said, pleasantly. "I certainly hope they won't detain you."

"You mean they could?" I suddenly began to worry about my toothbrush, hair-curlers and typewriter, without which I would pass a very uneasy night. Besides, nobody knew where I was.

"If they do," I said faintly, "could you ring this number and tell them Miss Otis regrets she is unable to dine tonight?"

## Finger-prints

THE first thing we did when I reached the island—it's right behind the Statue of Liberty—was to get me finger-printed.

A young Dane with a paper bag which may well have contained all he had in the world sat on a bench. He looked like day were my finger-nails. First,

Mr Dash introduced me to Mr Nix, and departed, saying cheerily: "You're quite likely to get away."

So I sat and waited. After a while I stood up and waited. Then I walked about and waited.

"You may sit down if you like," said someone. Well, I wished now I had hoarded my finger-nail ration.

Mr Dash was right, though. I did get away. They gave me my freedom in exchange for my bonds and hoped I would find my way to the boat.

I did dash then.

## Lost!

BUT only yesterday, Mr Nix, who was nicer even than Mr Dash, phoned me. "Not your fault," he said. "But you didn't sign all of those bonds. Will you take the 8.45 a.m. ferry to Ellis Island and ask for me?"

I really meant to go. On the ferry I changed twice without getting on the wrong train, which is not easy.

The third change threw me. They'd moved that train to another place. Apologetically I phoned Mr Nix, suggesting that anyone who could not find their way around the New York Subway deserved to get deported.

"Happens even to Americans," he said. "Try it again tomorrow."

Well, I'll try, but they may have to send out a posse.

## The reason

SO this is the news behind the news of my arrest, a gay and charming episode which may one day be set to music by Mr Irving Berlin. I hope I shall be there to dance.

Unfortunately the reason it happened is less charming. It seems that I got mixed up in a little private war between a gentleman from Wisconsin named McCarthy (you know him?) and an Englishman named Bellinger (I know him?)

over what is laughingly known as the freedom of the Press. In a war, however private, somebody's always liable to get hurt. Excuse me, boys, that's my heart you're kicking around.

# Nathaniel Gubbins

FIRST INNINGS  
Shah of Persia b. Mossadegh... 0  
SECOND INNINGS  
Mossadegh b. Shah of Persia... 0

THESE figures, scribbled on a piece of paper, will show you the state of mind of your Uncle Nat when he was trying to read the news and listen to the Test Match commentaries at the same time.

All day on Monday and Tuesday he was either listening or worrying about the fortunes of the game.

When Hutton got himself run out on Tuesday evening, he threw away the evening papers and rushed out to a low tavern for consolation.

On Wednesday morning he was unable to concentrate on anything until he knew the result of the match.

The first thing he read on Thursday morning made him wonder if cricket had driven him insane at last. It was "Lionel Blake, aged 21, fast bowler, who shot his father three years ago, opened the bowling."

But a second glance at the paper restored your Uncle's faith in his sanity. It was the account of a cricket match between the inmates of Broadmoor criminal lunatic asylum and the Board of Control.

## Mystery solved

NOW that cricket is nearly over, and Moron's Delight (Soccer) has begun, your Uncle will be able to get on with his work. He is not likely to read, or listen to, a single word about it. In the meantime...

The Shah of Persia told a reporter that "Dr Mossadegh doesn't know what he wants." But another report says that only two people in the world know the combination of the lock of the safe where the Persian Crown Jewels are kept. Dr Mossadegh is not one of them.

So now we know what he wants, and why he has been crying and sulking all these years. It also supports my theory that Dr Mossadegh is really a bald-headed woman.

Only a woman could give the impression of not knowing what she wants when any other woman, or sensible man, would know that she had jewels on her mind.

And only a woman would cry because she couldn't have them. If the Foreign Office had obtained the secret of the lock makers of the safe, and for-warded the figures to little "Miss Mossadegh," many tears would never have been shed, and many millions of gallons of oil would have been pumped into British tankers.

When making policy decisions in future, I hope the Foreign Office will study this little column more closely.

## 'Vile Bodies'

Women, by and large, are not aroused by displays of male nudity—A report on women.

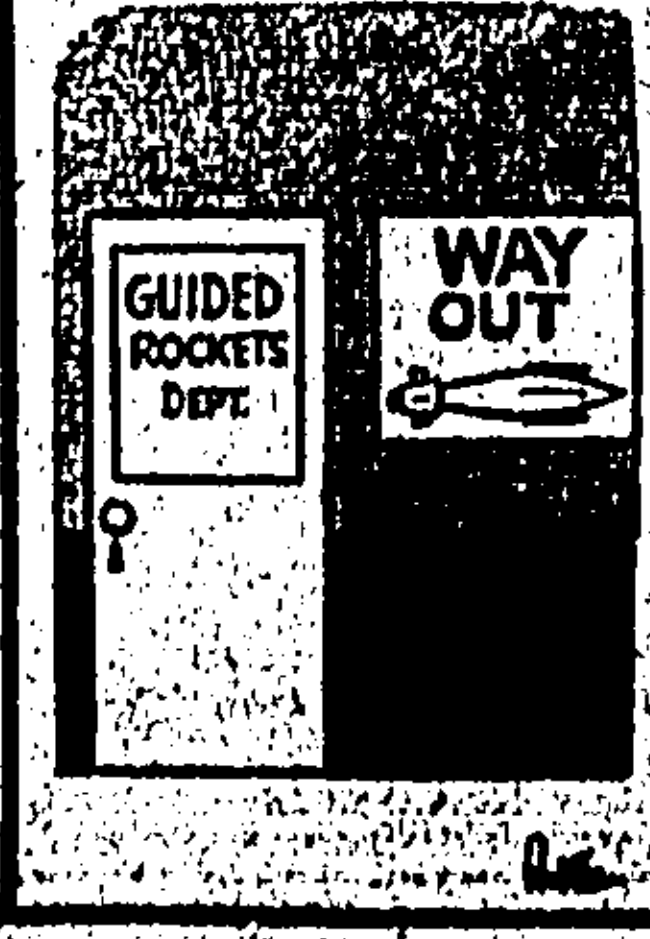
THIS is one in the eye for all the hairy beasts who display their vile bodies at the seaside, and one in the eye for all the sickly youths who buy muscle developers in the belief (1) that big muscles are a sign of health and virility, and (2) that the development of physical deformities displayed in strong man magazines will make their giggling girl-friends love them more.

It is also a great smack in the eye for that great muscle-bound tease in the strip cartoon. For years I have hated this half-naked horror who goes backwards and forwards in time like the adventures in Wells' "Time Machine," showing his deformed body to women of the past, present, and future, and virtuously leaving them flat when they are supposed to have charms.

Accustomed to his unhealthy Thank goodness I know now that the girls in the cartoon probably loathe him, as much as I do.

(London Express Service)

## ARTIE'S HEADLINE













# UNIQUE SOCCER MATCH AT SOUTHALL TODAY

Japanese University Side  
Against England's Blues

By VERNON MORGAN

London, Sept. 1.

The Japanese University Team is to play the combined British Universities at Southall tomorrow evening in their one game tour of Great Britain.

The team will line up as follows: Hiroto Murooka; Ryuzo Hiraki, Kikuchi, Mima; Takechi Inoue, Osumi Yamaji, Takashi Takabayashi, Arawa Kimura, Tadao Kobayashi (Captain), Shunichi Otake, Tokue Suzuki, and Takashi Tokuro.

The team was announced this morning by general manager Shigemaru Takenokoshi and team manager Shiro Olan after the 17-man team had a full-scale workout on the ground of Queen's Park Rangers, the Third Division club, situated in the West of London.

Mr Takenokoshi, asked what he thought of his players' chances of winning, replied gently and thoughtfully that, as he did not know how good the British team was, he was in no position to say—an extremely prudent reply. But he added that the Japanese players were rather tired after their other games and not as lively as he would like them to be.

The British team, a very strong one on paper, contains four internationals and some of the finest amateurs in Britain. It should beat the tourists but judged by what I saw of the Japanese players in action this morning they will not easily be beaten. If these 17 young men were tired and jaded, as their officials say, they must be something terrible when they are 100 percent fit.

This morning they trained hard for one hour without any let-up and though it was pretty warm they hardly perspired at all. Moreover, they were fast and nippy and generally made a good impression upon the small crowd of critics present. The British players have not played together as a team and they are definitely not "soccer fit" at this early stage of the season.

Consequently I can see the Japanese running them off their legs in the opening half and staying out the 90 minutes much better. There is no doubting the stamina of the Japanese.

## PASSING EXCELLENT

Thus a victory for the tourists is by no means out of the question. It is good news for Japan that their Captain, Kobayashi, can play. He had a eye removed from his eye while the team was in Belgium, but it has healed splendidly and he was one of the most conspicuous figures this morning. What did the Japanese do? They did everything under the watchful eye of Otake.

First there were muscle loosening exercises of special Japanese variety, guaranteed to strengthen and make supple the limbs (their elaborate technique greatly appealed to the photographers there who clustered round them).

After ten minutes of this they jogged round the field at gentle speed before indulging in some close passing movements.

Their passing was excellent; used to playing on hard grounds and pitches with little or no grass they know that the ball must be kept in the ground. And they kept it there putting extremely accurate neat passes to each other with great speed. They may be weak in dribbling but they can pass if their showing this morning was any criterion.

Otake explained: "As our height average is only 5 feet 5 inches we do not stand much chance of heading you in the air so we practice keeping the ball on the ground." They did, however, practice heading also but their size is definitely against them.

Their shoot about showed they could shoot from far and

near. What impressed most about this was the way they took the ball first time whatever angle it came to them. They may not be brilliant sharpshooters but if they let go first time they may upset the British defence.

In the pickup "game" they had, with defence against attack their accurate (though perhaps rather too square) passing was notable. They showed they could trap the ball well and get quick control over it.

And they finished the hour's workout with another muscle loosener—as if their muscles were not loose enough already.

## FINE WEATHER

The Japanese party could not have been more delighted with the weather. "Just like Tokyo in May," as manager Takenokoshi said. It was a really warm September day without a cloud in the sky but a light coolish breeze. They liked the grassy pitch too—they will like that at Southall where the match is being played. It is also firm with a lush covering of bright grass.

This is a team which has the will—if nothing else—to win. On arrival yesterday afternoon they went straight to bed to rest and all retired early. One of the first concerns of the British Universities Sports Board secretary, cheery little Ken Wilson, was to ask Manager Takenokoshi if his team would like rice or special Japanese food. His answer was: "No, thank you, we will be happy to eat the food of your country. Like your football it will be an experience for us."

Though they have hardly been in England a day—nine had visited England before apart from Takenokoshi—they seemed well pleased with everything and quite happy.

Wilson told me he had been most impressed by the Japanese team's discipline, by their anxiety to create the right impression both on and off the field, by their conscientiousness, and by their good humour. Though they were taking the match in deadly earnest this did not prevent them being very friendly and human.

They have received an excellent press in the short time they have been in England. Two of the leading British dailies had over half a column and pictures on their visit. It looks as if they will become very popular despite the shortness of their visit.

## VISIT TO HIGHBURY

The Japanese party are going to be kept busy with functions from now until they leave on Friday. Everyone wants to see them, particularly the Japanese community in London. Tonight they visit the famous Highbury Ground, the home of English League Champions Arsenal, in order to see something of England's best professional football. Unfortunately Arsenal are playing very poorly and are almost at the foot of the League table, though it is hoped they will show something of their best form in honour of their distinguished student visitors.

Arsenal meet Sheffield United, recently promoted from the second division but well above their more favoured rivals in this season's first division table. The Japanese at least trust they will learn something useful from the game. Then it's bed and hopes for a nice warm, dry evening tomorrow and that they will give a good account of themselves even should they be the losers.—China Mail Special.

## Last Minute Bid For A Point



An exciting last-minute incident in the big local "Derby"—Newcastle versus Sunderland—on Saturday week. Len Shackleton was making a desperate attempt to equalise, with Trevor Ford (right), but Ronnie Simpson was able to smother Len's shot. Full back Batty is trying to head the shot out, but the goalkeeper was more sure. Newcastle won two goals to one. (Express photo).

## Australians Rattle Kent Out For 108

Canterbury, Sept. 1.  
The Australian cricket tourists to-day defeated Kent by an innings and 176 runs in the third day of their match here.

The Australians declared at their overnight total of 405 for eight, leaving Kent the task of scoring 284 runs to avoid an innings defeat.

Because of his strained back, Arthur Phibbey, who had carried his bat in Kent's first innings, did not open the batting. But Tony Woollett, left hander, who went in first with Arthur Fagg, began confidently enough and runs came freely on a hard pitch playing easily.

Ray Lindwall opened unscathed for 150 against Woollett but that was the only instance of the ball beating the bat in the first half hour during which 20 runs had been scored. Then Woollett played too soon at Bill Johnston's slower delivery and gave the bowler a simple catch.

Colin Cowdrey, who had batted so well for the Gentlemen of England against the Australians last week, never settled down and at 41 he mistimed Davidson's slower ball, and like Woollett, gave an easy return catch.

## Collapse Continues

The collapse continued, without addition Davidson knocked Hearn's middle stump from the ground, and after conceding four to Shirrell, tricked that player with a change of pace into giving a catch to short square leg.

Hearn, who had made his highest score for Kent in the previous match, received only one ball against the Australians. He was run out before facing the bowling in the first innings, and completed his "pair" first ball in the second.

Half the side was out for 50 in 65 minutes when Johnston clean-bowled Evans, before the wicketkeeper had scored. Phibbey, top scorer with 85 not out in the first innings, was out l.b.w. for nought, but he was handicapped by his injured back.

Lindsay Hassett came on in place of Davidson and Ridgway pulled his first two deliveries high over the square leg boundary.

Mallett followed Ridgway's lead and he pulled the first ball of Davidson's next over for six. In the next ball he was missed by Hassett running to a skid but in the same over Ridgway pulled another four and a six.

Then Johnston came in for punishment, Mallett hit him for two fours and a six from the first three balls of an over but he was bowled by the fifth. The eighth wicket stand added 40, including five sixes in only 18 minutes and the high-flying continued.

## Little Mo Wins Easily

Forest Hills Sept. 1.  
Miss Maureen Connolly, the defending champion and holder of the world's four major singles championships (United States, Britain, Australia and France), easily won her second round match here today in the United States women's lawn tennis singles championship. She beat Miss Patricia Stewart (United States) 6-3, 6-1.—Reuter.

## WILTS WIN INTER-UNIT SWIMMING

The 35 Infantry Brigade held its inter-unit team swimming championships at Sek Kong Pool yesterday.

The 1st Bn The Wiltshire Regiment won the Major Unit championship while 54 Field Squadron, RE, gained the Minor Unit one.

The Wiltshire started by winning three out of six events and then clinched their lead by taking the last race—a Mixed Medley Relay. It was during this event that the two runners-up, the 15 Field Regiment, RA, and the 7 Royal Tank Regiment, both tying for second place, with 32 points each, responded to the shouts of their supporters. It was the 7 RTR who won the battle and took second place, eight points behind the winning team.

In the Minor Units Class, 54 Field Squadron, RE, won three events and came second in three others.

The final position was as follows: Major Units: 1. Wiltshire (60 pts); 2. 7 RTR (42); 3. 14 Field Regt, RA; 4. 7 Royal Tank Regiment (34); 5. 15 Field Regiment, RA (28); 6. 11 Field Squadron, RE (25); 7. 11 Field Squadron, RE (23); 8. 11 Field Squadron, RE (23).

Minor Units: 1. Wiltshire (100 pts); 2. 15 Field Regiment, RA (75); 3. 7 Royal Tank Regiment (70); 4. 14 Field Regiment, RA (65); 5. 11 Field Squadron, RE (60); 6. 11 Field Squadron, RE (55); 7. 11 Field Squadron, RE (50); 8. 11 Field Squadron, RE (45).

Mixed Medley Relay: 1. Wiltshire; 2. 15 Field Regiment, RA; 3. 7 Royal Tank Regiment; 4. 14 Field Regiment, RA; 5. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 6. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 7. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 8. 11 Field Squadron, RE.

100 yds Free Style: 1. Wiltshire; 2. 15 Field Regiment, RA; 3. 7 Royal Tank Regiment; 4. 14 Field Regiment, RA; 5. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 6. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 7. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 8. 11 Field Squadron, RE.

100 yds Breaststroke: 1. Wiltshire; 2. 15 Field Regiment, RA; 3. 7 Royal Tank Regiment; 4. 14 Field Regiment, RA; 5. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 6. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 7. 11 Field Squadron, RE; 8. 11 Field Squadron, RE.

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# SOCCER ON THE INSIDE

(Contributed by Desmond Hackett, Robert Findlay, Bob Pennington, Marshall Fallows and Leslie Nichol)

Clubs in search of an England-type centre-forward should wait until Charlie Vaughan of Portsmouth, makes up his mind on the future. Vaughan, developed by Charlton, transferred to Portsmouth in March, is ill at ease at Fratton Park.

No official approach yet, but it's coming. And as Vaughan and family live in Bexleyheath, southern clubs will be favourites.

Tommy plans to get married in February. And the future Mrs Harmer insists on a London address.

Cigar-smoking Jimmy Seed of Charlton doesn't expect Stuart Leary, his big South African centre-forward, to be leading goal-scorer at the end of the season.

"Stuart is one of the best—maybe the best—centre-forward in the country," says the Seed, "but he's not meant to be a battering ram."

"Stuart uses brains. He distributes that ball to the wings like a born inside forward. And naturally the goals come."

The Seed philosophises: How much happier to manage a bunch of youngsters fighting to win than a team of stars sitting uneasily at the top.

ADVICE TO SELECTORS—Advice to England selectors—Apply to Chelsea manager Ted Drake for a solution of your England left wing problems.

Says the old England centre-forward: "For the amateurs my 18-year-old schoolboy Miles Spector; for the professionals, my 19-year-old Frank Blunstone from Crewe. No kidding. I'm confident these boys are future caps."

Remember Spector? He made three of the four goals that carried Chelsea into round five of the Cup last season. His parents say "No professional Soccer for Miles."

Peep into the Hawthorns during training days and you'll see the West Bromwich players hopping up and down the terrace steps like kiddies at play.

A new game? In a way, yes. Joe Kennedy, Captain and centre-half, started it to strengthen a damaged knee.

Trainer Arthur Pilton, spotting the muscle strengthening value, ordered the others to follow suit. Fastest terrace hopper at present is Jimmy Sanders.

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—(London Express Service)

spent in training players and so little in teaching them the rules."

Gerry Ward plays for Arsenal at 10, Boy Bastin played for Exeter at 15, but Cameron Buchanan played for Wolves first team in a wartime match at 14.

Buchanan plays on. He scored one for Bournemouth against Millwall the week-end before last.

When Notts County manager Eric Houghton takes over at Aston Villa, he may be succeeded by... George Martin, the manager Villa sacked.

Tip to Eric Houghton: Villa's cheque-book era is over. You will be expected to comb the Black Country for the golden boys.

Get those cables drafted, you clubs in search of a ready-made centre-forward: George Robledo, the former Newcastle star, is unhappy in Chile, yearns for a cool, cool winter in Britain.

But brother Ted, who also went home as a Government-sponsored coach in May, is quite content to stay.

NOT FOR SALE—Roy Paul is not for sale. The Welsh international captain and half back asked Manchester City to place him on the transfer list. He received a firm "No."

What will Paul do then? He will repeat his request.

Watch the Northampton team during training days and you'll spot out. The one in the rear is Tommy McLean. It always is. Tommy is superstitious. "Once, when I was at Sunderland, I went on early and was carried off before the end on a stretcher."

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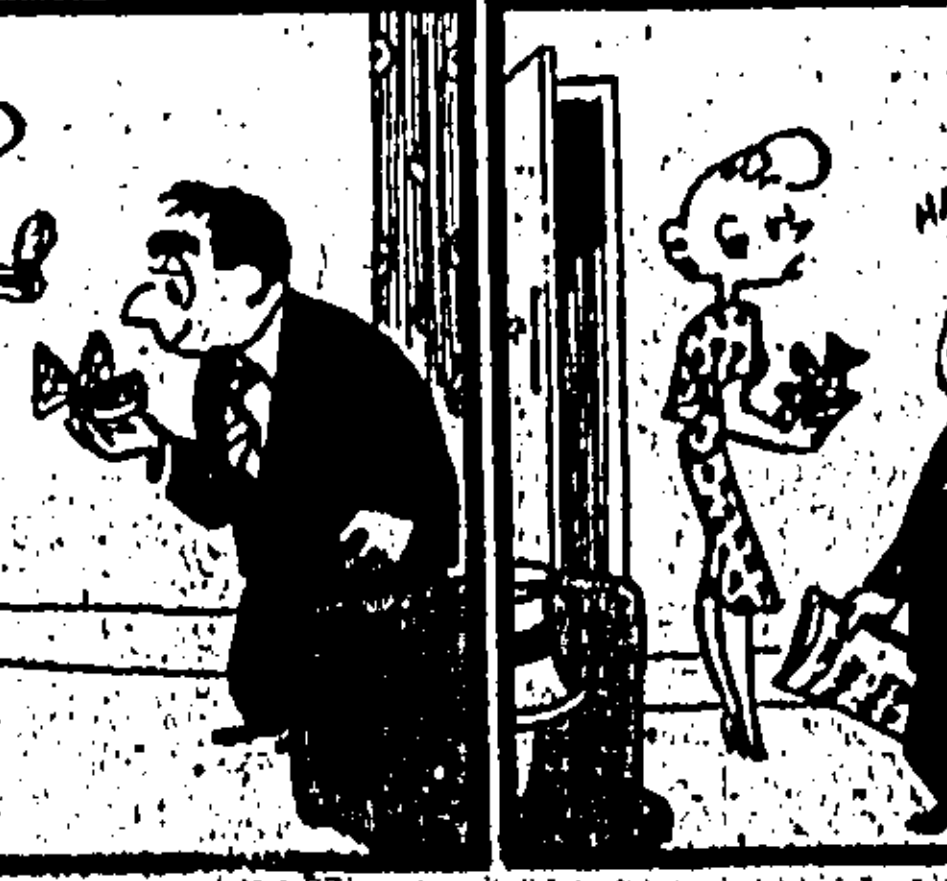
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## THE GAMBOLS



## by Barry Appleby



## WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING AT?



## Federation And Vital Issue Of Eligibility

Singapore, Sept. 1.  
Dr C. J. Paglar, Singapore Legislative Councillor, is flying to Tokyo to-morrow to preside over the second annual conference of the Asian table tennis Federation to be held early next week.

As Vice President of the Federation, he will deputise for the Maharajah of Baroda, who has intimated that he would not be able to attend.

Dr Paglar said the coming meeting will decide on the "crucial" issue of nationality of contestants in the Asian championships (for example, the eligibility of a Filipino residing in Singapore to play for the Colony).—Reuter.

## RUGBY LEAGUE

London, Sept. 1.  
Rugby League results: **Leigh** 8 **Cardiff** 12; **Rochdale** 10 **Doncaster** 9; **Huddersfield** 10 **Sheff. Wed.** 10.

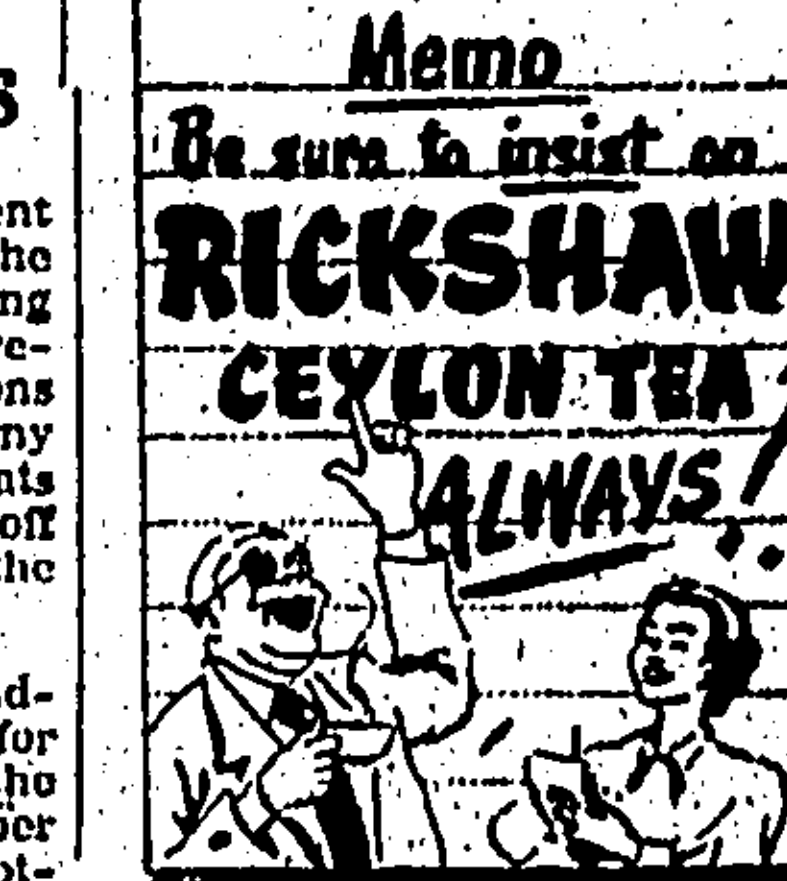
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## PEKING HAS COMPLAINT

London, Sept. 1.—The Communist New China News Agency tonight complained that "not a single captured Chinese People's Volunteer has been repatriated since August 15" although it was known there were still large numbers being held who insisted on returning. These still being held in South Korea but who insisted on repatriation included "many well-known prisoners of war representatives such as Pak Song Hoeng of the Korean People's Army."

## NEW HIMALAYA EXPEDITION

Calcutta, Sept. 1.—The seven-year-old Japanese graduates' expedition to the Annapurna Range of the Himalayas in Western Nepal will assemble in Calcutta before Sept. 12 on their way to Kathmandu.

## CZECH BORDER ACTIVITY

The Czechs are constructing a strong military defence line through the Bohemian woods and all along the Austro-Czech frontier. Observers who have been watching the frontier state large forces of labourers and army engineers are building concrete pillboxes, infantry trench systems and artillery strong-points.

## Dish Rag Murder

Inchon, Sept. 1.—Mrs. Consuelo C. Marvuto began a 10-year prison term today for stuffing a dish rag in her husband's open mouth while he slept. He choked to death. —United Press.

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Applications for Dividend Warrants should be made either personally or by letter to the Registered Office of the Company, P. & O. Building, 4th Floor.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 3rd day of September 1953 to the 17th day of September 1953, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & COMPANY, LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1953.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m.v. "ASTYANAX"

Damaged cargo ex this cargo will be surveyed by Messrs. Paulsen & Daves-Davy at Holbe Wharf from 10 a.m. on September 3 and 4, 1953, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, September 1, 1953.

## TO ADVERTISERS

SUNDAY POST-HERALD

Space for commercial advertising should be booked not later than noon on Wednesday.

For the SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST and the CHINA MAIL, 48 hours before date of publication.

Special Announcements and Classified Advertisements as usual

# Look Into Future: England To Tokyo With One Stop

London, Sept. 1.

Sir Miles Thomas, Chairman of the British Overseas Airways Corporation, said today he could see the day coming when British airliners would get to Tokyo with only one stop — at Edmonton in Canada.

At present the Comet makes eight stops on the 10,176-mile route to Tokyo — at Rome, Beirut, Bahrain, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Manila and Okinawa.

The distance from London to Edmonton is 4,216 miles and from Edmonton to Tokyo is 4,992 miles in a straight line. It is not yet known just what the new route would be.

Sir Miles Thomas said the Britannia, a turbo-propeller aircraft, would give a lead to Britain in cheap, long-distance international civil aviation.

It would not be as fast as the Comet jet airliner but it would stay in the air a long time and use less fuel per pound of thrust developed.

"That means we are going to get terrific range and economy out of these Britannias," he said.

BOAC expects to introduce the Britannia on its routes next year. It will accommodate up to 120 passengers, according to type. It has a non-stop range of over 4,000 miles.

He said the BOAC still did not know the precise cause of the Comet disaster near Calcutta last May in which 48 people were killed.

Metallurgical tests of the remains of the aircraft were still going on.

"I had to take the decision one Sunday morning whether to ground the Comet," he said.

"I said we would keep on flying. Then and now there is no reason to believe there is anything structurally wrong with the Comet." — China Mail Special.

Tokyo, Sept. 1.

The 250,000-strong National Federation of Coal Mine Workers' Unions opened a four-day extraordinary convention today.

Debate at the meeting centred on "struggle" policies in opposition to current personnel and programmes of various coal-mining throughout the nation. — China Mail Special.

# WITHIN ACE OF FREEDOM

Britannia Camp, Sept. 1.

An Australian pilot repatriated today, Flying Officer Ronald Guthrie, of 24, Dunkirk Avenue, King's Grove, Sydney, NSW, described how he escaped from Communist prison camp and was within an ace of freedom when recaptured.

Guthrie and an American pilot, Lieutenant John Henderson, of Spokane, Washington, dodged Chinese troops and Korean guards for several days, making their way from just north of Pyongyang to the West Coast.

They reached water, stole a boat but were stopped at a breakwater which was patrolled by an armed guard.

Later the men were recaptured while trying to get drinking water.

"They treated us fairly rough after that effort," Guthrie said.

Guthrie found he sometimes got sympathetic treatment from Chinese prison authorities because they thought Australians were a national minority.

"The Chinese kept saying how the British oppressed us," he said. "I've come out to learn that it's true—we lost the Ashes."

Guthrie, a warrant officer when shot down, was commissioned while in camp. He plans to remain in the Air Force and will soon be eligible for promotion to flight lieutenant. — China Mail Special.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



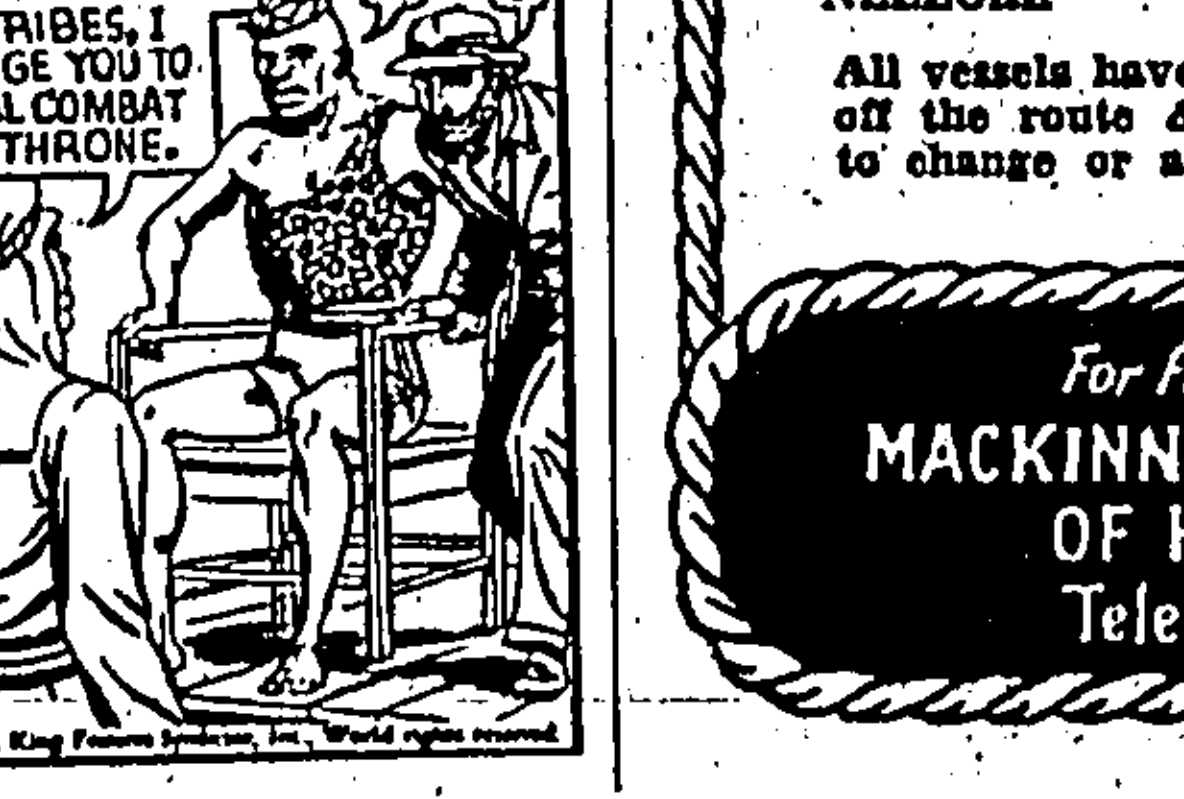
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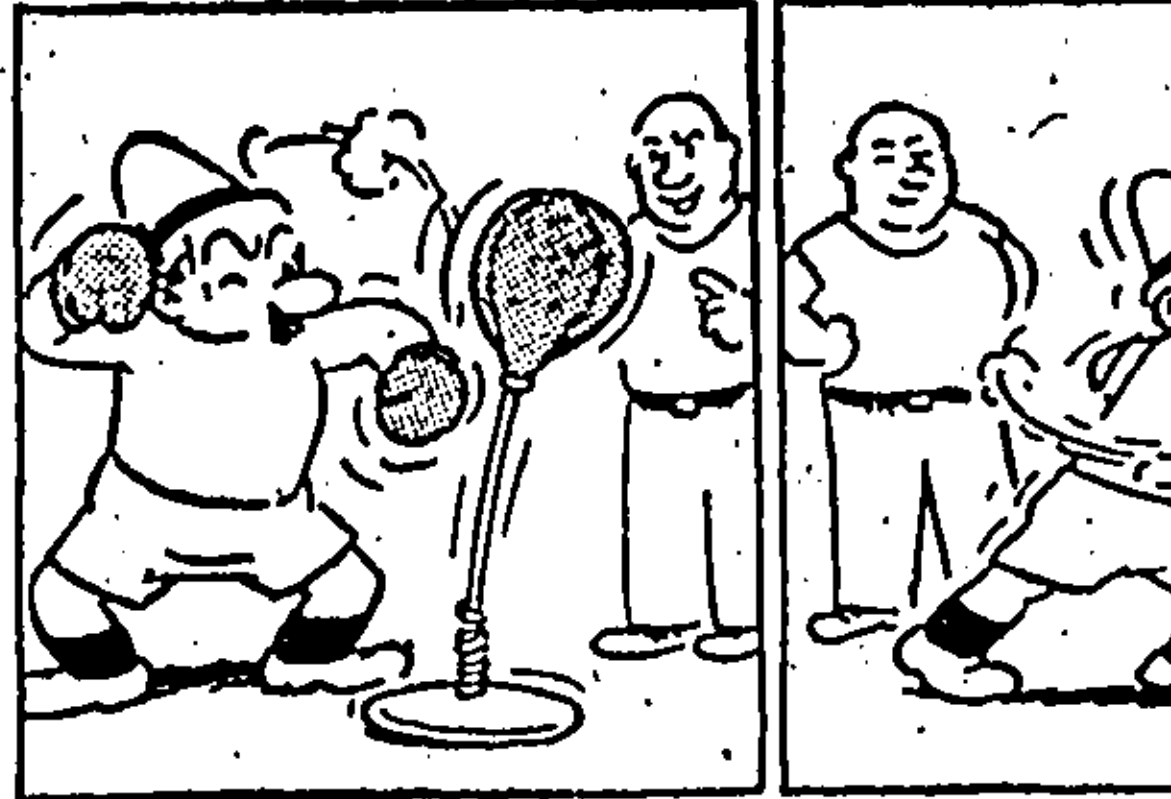
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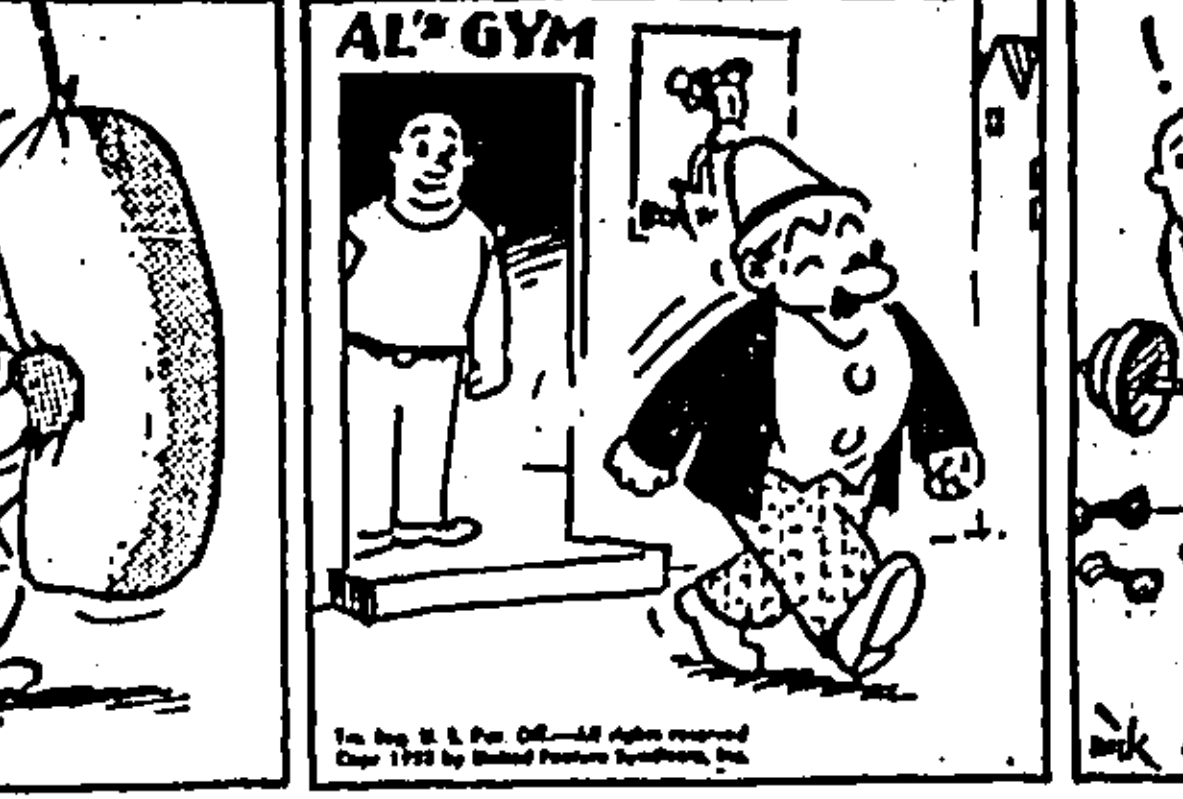
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## JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



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# Libya Premier Not To Attend League Meeting

Benghazi, Sept. 1.

The Libyan Prime Minister, Mahmoud Bey Moustafa, will not attend the Arab League's Political Committee meeting in Cairo tomorrow, according to usually well-informed sources today.

The Libyan Government is believed to take the view that Egypt acted "unwisely" in objecting to the Anglo-Libyan treaty of friendship, signed in July this year.

(A former Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdel Rahman Azzam, said in Cairo on August 13 that the treaty would "naturally lead to British occupation of Libya, which will be turned into an unbalanced satellite.") — Reuters.

## Tribute To Chaplain

Freedom Village, Sept. 1.

A British Army chaplain was permitted to hold Sunday religious services for captured United Nations officers but paid for it with several periods in solitary confinement, a returned American said today.

"He did a fine job," the American said. "The Chaplain held a mid-week prayer service for about six months before the Communists stopped them. He also held religious study groups for a while for men wanting to enter the Church. Obviously enough they let him keep the religious pamphlets he had with him when he was captured."

The chaplain was identified as a Rev. David of the Church of England. — United Press.

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## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Sam Slips Up Again

IT says much for Sam's good nature that his life of crime has not embittered him, for his must have been one of the most unfruitful criminal careers on record.

The risks men have run who have brought off hugely profitable criminal coups have been, in essence, much the same risks as Sam has taken. The others have been rewarded for their pains with riches enough to retire on; but what has been Sam's reward?

Well, once his total haul was a leaky fountain pen, and another time all he got for his trouble was 8d. in coppers. As a younger man, Sam was more easily disheartened than he is now. He lacked stamina. When he had collected a dozen or so convictions, he threw in his hands.

**HONESTY AND VIRTUE**  
HE sank to working for his living, and dwelt for 20 years in the arid desertland of honesty and virtue. By 1948, he could stand it no longer. The halo was too tight round his head for comfort. He became a criminal again.

Since then Sam has been in and out of trouble, so accident-prone that he could hardly put a glass of ale to his lips without being arrested and convicted for drunkenness. Besides his 20 convictions for crime, he has 15 now for being found drunk.

The other day, Sam walked into London from the north of England, with a vague idea at the back of his mind that the perfect crime was within his reach at last.

He was hazy about the form the perfect crime should take, but that something good would turn up, he did not doubt for a moment. Sure enough, something did turn up.

**THE VOICE**  
AS he wandered through London's clockland, his eye was caught by the open, seemingly unguarded doorway of a seaman's hotel. "This is it," a voice seemed to whisper to Sam.

He crept through the open doorway. There seemed no one about. Boldly, Sam slipped into an empty office. He glanced quickly about him for the unlocked safe, the wad of notes left casually about, the solid silver fitting other criminals always found in such circumstances.

There were none of these in this office. Sam grabbed the only moveables in sight—an atlas, two rubber stamps, an ink-pad. Disappointed, he made off—and walked straight into the arms of the hall porter. Next morning, Sam trundled into the dock at the Thames Court, and pleaded guilty, with a sigh, to the thefts before Mr Leslie Marks.

**PLACID, UNTIL...**  
HE smiled resignedly as the police told the story of his career. "Most of his crimes have been minor ones, but he is on probation now to a court in the North for larceny and..." "They" bellowed Sam at that. "They may have CALLED it larceny, but I only took 8d., and the book, I mean the judge, was going to discharge me conditional, till the learned clerk told him about this probation lark."

"You'll be remanded in custody to find out what the other court want to do about the breach of probation," said the magistrate.

For a moment Sam grumbled and growled. Then his good humour returned. "Okay," he said, and he went off to the cells beaming like a man to whom a rare good turn has been done. Perhaps he was glad to have a week with nothing much else to do but dream of that successful future enterprise. The dreams on the whole were preferable to the reality.

## SUEZ CANAL TRAFFIC

Paris, Sept. 1.  
Traffic passing through the Suez Canal in the first half of this year totaled 45,144,000 tons—3.1 per cent more than in the corresponding period last year. Ships sailing through the canal under the American flag fell considerably, totalling only 2,218,000 tons, a drop of more than 900,000 tons—China Mail Special.

## New Working Hours For Soviet Civil Servants

Moscow, Sept. 1.  
A minor revolution in working habits was foreshadowed for Soviet civil servants today with a strict Government order that State offices should stay open only between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Provida, the Communist Party newspaper, said all state institutions had been ordered to end forthwith the exceptional routine which often found officials at their desks in the middle of the night, but home in bed during the morning.

Strict adherence to the new eight-hour work day, excluding one hour for lunch, was ordered to begin today.

Under the old system, official life in Moscow often reached its peak late at night with diplomats frequently called to the Kremlin at 11 p.m.

A Soviet note was recently delivered to the Western countries' Embassies at 3 a.m.

**CAUSING DAMAGE**  
Pravda, which said the Government had discovered that the system of late night working was causing great damage to the state, said many state affairs could not be handled in the mornings because the responsible officials did not appear on the scene until late in the day.

Late night working had been customary in Russia for years, with Marshal Stalin himself often at his desk long after midnight.

(Radio monitors in London listening to Soviet broadcasts reported that Tass, the official Soviet news agency, ended its radio news service for provincial newspapers at 10 o'clock Moscow time tonight, instead of continuing into the early hours of the morning, as is usual.)

(This news service is broadcast from Moscow at dictation speed for newspapers all over the country.)

(There are ordinarily three editions, the first beginning at 10 p.m.)—Reuter.

## Seeks Access To Atomic Secrets

Paris, Sept. 1.  
Marshal Philippe Juin, Commander-in-Chief of Allied Forces in Central Europe and France's top soldier, said here today that he should have access to atomic bomb secrets.

Speaking at a luncheon of Supreme Headquarters correspondents, Marshal Juin said that to be able to formulate an effective defence plan it was essential for him to know both the effect of the "special weapons" and the number in which they would be available in wartime.

At present, owing to existing laws, United States atomic bomb secrets were "closely guarded."

His colleagues in Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers in Europe (SHAPE), always came up with items of information about atomic secrets when he asked for them but he felt there was "slight uneasiness" among his American colleagues, the Marshal said.

Marshal Juin, who has been a leading critic of the European Defence Community Treaty in its present form, said the European Army Treaty was aimed at solving the German problem.

"As a soldier I saw we needed German divisions in one form or another. The contribution of German forces, at least of land troops, is essential," he said.

Marshal Juin said SHAPE now assumed that Western defence would not be fully effective until 1956. He warned that "in Asia as well as in Europe the free world is a tiny bridgehead with a very little depth in defence."—Reuter.

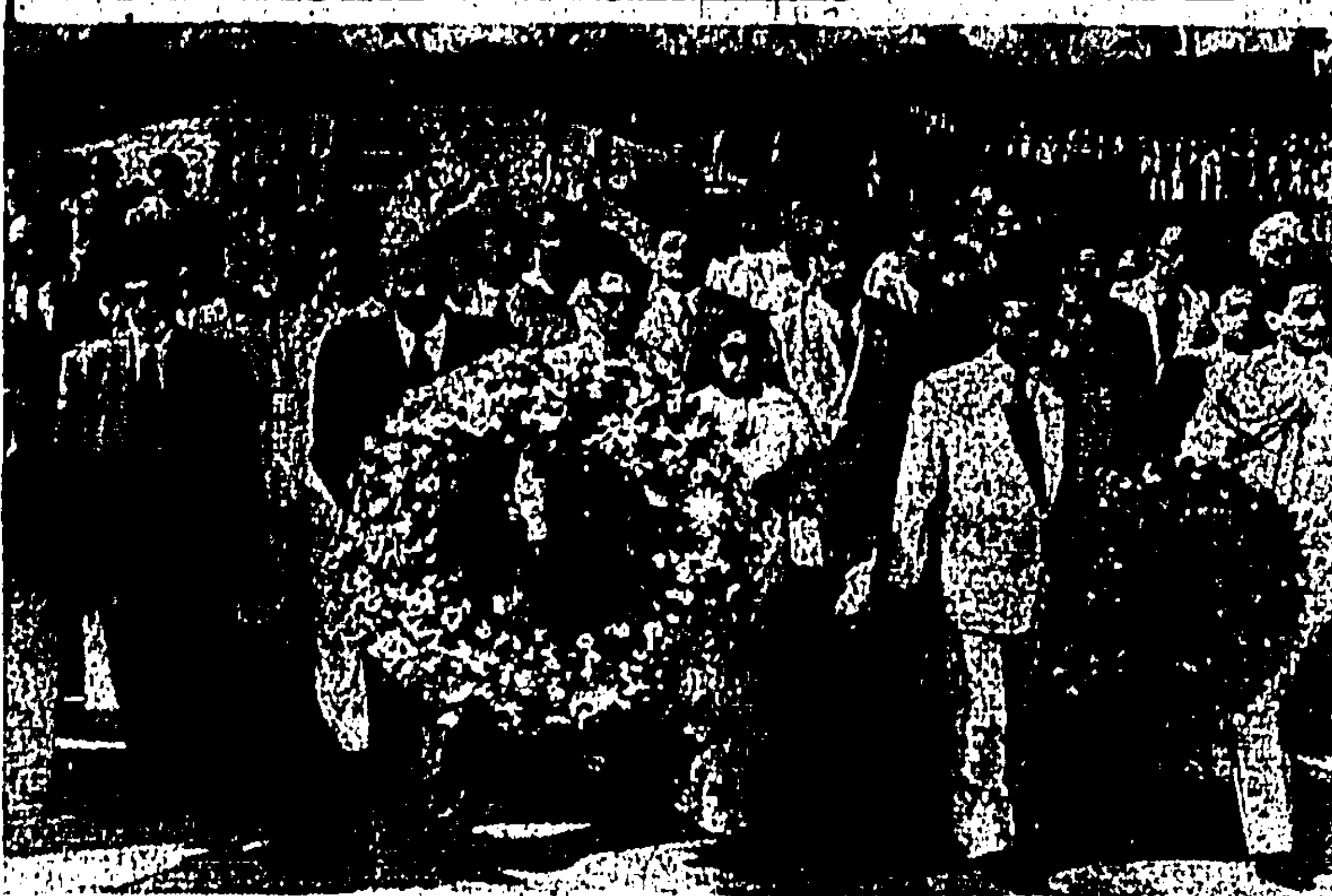
## Retrenchment

Singapore, Sept. 2.  
The US Information Service announced today that it will start chopping its staff in Singapore and Malaya at the end of this month.

The acting USIS chief, Robert Boykin, said 21 members of the local staff will be let off while the number of American personnel will be reduced.

Mr Boykin said the reduction is in line with a worldwide cut in USIS staff recently ordered in Washington.—United Press.

## PAKISTAN PREMIER IN DELHI



The Pakistan Premier, Mohammed Ali, with the Begum Mohammed Ali, Sir Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan High Commissioner in India, and other members of his party, arrive at Rajghat to lay wreaths on the tomb of Mahatma Gandhi. The Pakistan Premier was given an enthusiastic welcome by ten thousand Indians who surged through police cordons at New Delhi Airport to greet him when he arrived for talks with Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, on the Kashmir dispute.—London Express.

## Want Pro-Communist Foreign Service Workers Ousted From Jobs

New York, Sept. 1.  
The American China Policy Association called today for the dismissal of any "pro-Communist" foreign service workers still in the State Department and the reinstatement of ousted or transferred "anti-Communists" prior to the Korean political conference.

The Association, a private organization, expressed its views in a letter to Mr Walter S. Robertson, assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs.

The Association expressed fear that if any pro-Communist foreign service officers remain "their advice may tend to weaken the hand of Ambassador (Henry Cabot) Lodge who must rely on them for detailed Far Eastern information and analyses."

Referring to the "anti-Communists who were forced out of the Department in 1944 and 1945 by Dean Acheson and Alger Hiss" as testified by Assistant Secretary Adolf Berle and others transferred to remote posts, the Association said, "We urged that they be brought back to Washington to take over control from all those whose judgment and loyalty is questioned."

The organization asked Mr Robertson: "Is it true that some of the foreign service officers are still pressing for recognition of Red China?"

With this letter, the Association released a copy of Mr Robertson's 1949 report to former Ambassador Philip C. Jessup.

Mr Robertson said then that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had made the "official snub" for China's loss. He said, "It can be finally demonstrated that the confused and confusing inconsistencies of our own vacillating policy, however well meaning it might have been, contributed directly and indirectly to the debacle which engulfed him (Chiang) and his government, our ally, and brought to power the Communists, our long avowed enemies."

"Officially we were committed to a policy of expediency which was constantly being challenged by reports from certain foreign service officers in the field denouncing the Communists, praising the Nationalists, and recommending a course of action directly contrary to the one we were pursuing. During all this time, certain foreign service officers were reporting the Chinese Government to be corrupt, ineffectual and totalitarian, with one such officer later going so far as to proclaim the Communist revolution 'moderate and democratic,'" said Mr Robertson.

Mr Robertson's letter strongly opposed any recognition of Communist China and the China Policy Association praised him as a man of "proven patriotism, vision and statesmanship."—United Press.

He said: "Much of the military success in the past is due to the growing confidence of the Chinese population that the Government can restore order."

He was asked about the withdrawal of Commonwealth troops from the Korean theatre.

He said this depended a great deal on political moves, but added: "The sensible military thing to do is not to withdraw the troops until we are assured that fighting won't break out again."

## GOOD PROGRESS

In Malaya, Marshal Harding reported that "a great deal of progress has been made in the last year in the shooting war" against the Communists. He said he would never say the campaign was over, however, as long as hard core of fighting Communists remained.

He said: "Much of the military success in the past is due to the growing confidence of the Chinese population that the Government can restore order."

## WHEREABOUTS OF US NEWSMEN STILL A MYSTERY

Washington, Sept. 1.  
It has now been 164 days since two American newsmen and the crew of their yacht were captured by the Chinese Communists off Hongkong. So far the State Department has not been able to find out where they are being held, much less to obtain their freedom.

The international mystery began last March 21, when the 42-foot yacht, Kert, put out from British Hongkong for Portuguese Macao. The Royal Navy reported the same day that the vessel was seized by a Chinese gunboat and towed to Lap Sap Mei Island, five miles southwest of Hongkong.

The brief British report was the last definite word about the yacht owner, Richard Applegate, 37, NBC correspondent and former United Press reporter, Don Dixon, 25, INS reporter, and Ben Krasner, an American merchant marine captain, and three Chinese crew members.

Despite many inquiries about their whereabouts and efforts to win their release, Peking and Moscow have maintained complete silence. Efforts on their behalf have been made by the State Department, British diplomats, INS, NBC, Congress and by the American delegation to the UN—all to no avail. The Reds to date have not even acknowledged that they hold the Americans.

"We don't know where the three Americans are and we don't know what the Communists are doing with them," a State Department spokesman told the United Press today.

"We haven't forgotten them."

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The three Americans apparently have joined more than 30 other American civilians held in jail or under house arrest by the Chinese Reds. About 70 additional Americans are in China. The Peking Communist government has brushed aside many inquiries about their welfare. Moscow has been unco-operative when asked to intercede.

The State Department demanded the release of Applegate, Dixon, and Krasner on March 23 in a note delivered to the Peking government by British officials. This roundabout procedure was followed since the United States does not have diplomatic relations with the Chinese Reds. This and additional British inquiries have brought no response.

About the same time, Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., US delegate to the United Nations, asked Soviet delegate Andrei Vyshinsky if he knew what "the Peking regime" has in store for 100 odd Americans in Communist China. Mr. Lodge pointed out that his government's chief was concerned over the three Americans who "were abducted by the Chinese Communists from a yacht off Hongkong."—United Press.

**SEVERE RELATIONS DEMAND**

Cairo, Sept. 2.  
Two French North African Nationalist leaders last night urged the nations of the Asian-African group to sever relations with France unless France changed her policy in North Africa.

The President of the Moroccan Nationalist Istiglal Party, Allal el Fassi, and Salah Ben Youssef, leader of the Tunisian Nationalist Front, said at a press conference last night that relations should be broken off if measures they had urged the Arab League Political Committee to adopt towards France failed to change her North African policy.

These measures, they said, were the closing of Arab ports and aid to French ships and planes on their way to Indo-China; a boycott on French goods; and the replacing of French by another language at educational institutions.

The Arab League Political Committee, due to meet in Cairo today to consider the Moroccan question, will also hear reports by the Chiefs of Staff of Arab armies on the implementation of the Arab League collective security pact.

Arab Foreign Ministers and Defence Ministers were due to attend.—Reuter.

**Still Needs Protection**  
Isfahan, Persia, Sept. 1.  
Police with machine guns are still keeping a protective guard on the United States Consulate and the Consul's residence here—nearly two weeks after Dr Mossadegh's Government was overthrown.

The Consul, Mr Buckingham, drives his car with an armed escort while anti-American crowds in the streets shout "Yankies go home."

Consulate officials said the city's 200,000 people were mostly Communist because of "extremely poor" living conditions.

Slogans denouncing the Shah and the Americans are still seen on walls every morning. Police are unable to remove them all by night.

Even veiled women shout hostile slogans.

The police official said small groups of Soviet "agricultural experts" paid regular flying visits to Isfahan about twice a month to advise local farmers.

The visits had continued for two years, and the most recent was only 20 days ago.

He claimed that the "Soviet experts" spread Communist propaganda, adding that the situation in Isfahan now was very "unstable."—Reuter.

**German Election Candidates**  
Bonn, Sept. 2.  
Ten ex-Generals, one ex-Admiral, 19 ex-Colonels and three ex-Naval Captains are candidates at next Sunday's general election in West Germany, according to the official list published here today.

The best known among the Generals are von Manteuffel, who commanded a panzer army in Hitler's desperate Christmas push against the western Ardennes front in the last winter of the war, and Alexander Andreev, the former German Commander in Crete.—Reuter.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for registered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

By Air

Japan, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A. (San Francisco), 1.30 p.m. P.A.A.  
New Zealand, Ceylon, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
Europe, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
By Surface

Macao, 9 a.m. 6 p.m. as Lee Hoon/Tak Shing.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

By Air

Formosa, 1 p.m. via C.A.T.  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A. (San Francisco), 1.30 p.m. P.A.A.  
C.P.A.  
Sumat, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
Europe, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
By Surface

Macao, 9 a.m. 6 p.m. as Lee Hoon/Tak Shing.

China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m. train via Canton.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

By Air

Sumat, Burma, 9 a.m. via T.A.C.  
Indo-China, France, French North Africa, 1.30 p.m. P.A.A.  
C.P.A.  
Canada, 1 p.m. C.A.T./C.P.A.L.  
New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
Europe, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.  
By Surface

Macao, 9 a.m. 6 p.m. as Lee Hoon/Tak Shing.

China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m. train via Canton.

## Death Of Company's Compradore

The death occurred early this morning at the Central Hospital of Mr Yung Koo-man, compradore of John D. Hutchison and Co. Ltd., and a well respected resident of the Chinese community. He was 94 years of age.

Mr Yung joined Messrs Hutchison and Company in 1910, and became its compradore in 1918. His family had been compradores of the firm since 1863, and three of Mr Yung's sons are at present employed in the Company.

Mr Yung was a leading member of the Chinese business circle. He had at one time served on the Committee of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and was a Director of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I'm trying to get my children to wash their hair—do you have the shampoo that sponsors those trained seal acts?"

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